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**Britain Turns To Bicycles**  
London, Oct. 1.—The biggest cycling boom in Britain's history is now underway. The cyclists' touring club reported it has new members coming in the rate of 500 to 600 each month, and its membership has risen to 47,000 in the past year.  
An official of the CTC said shortage of money, higher railway fares and "queues for almost everything" at coastal resorts are responsible for the new generation of cyclists who want the CTC which plans cycling tours for its members, either singly or in parties, to arrange for them cheap, open air holidays.  
The CTC hopes to have a 60,000 membership by 1950.—Associated Press.

## Insurgents Abandon Big Village

Rangoon, Oct. 1.—Thongwa, the last big village before the rebel held town of Kayan in the Kachin State, was captured by Government troops without fighting. Friday's official communiqué said.  
The rebels evacuated Thongwa prior to the Government forces' entry and fled to the Kayan headquarters where they are expected to make a stand.  
The communiqué said that several villages to the north are now in Government hands.  
The communiqué stated that the Burmese Navy gunboats spearheaded the Government attack upon the big riverine rebel headquarters in the delta district of Pyaw, northwest of Rangoon. Details of the engagement are awaited, it said.  
The latest reports received early on Friday said six rebels were killed and 10, including "two important persons," were arrested in a battle between Government troops and the rebels in Kyeinaw village in Central Burma.—Associated Press.

## Grenade Attack On Newspaper Office

Singapore, Oct. 1.—One person was killed and four injured when an unidentified terrorist hurled a hand grenade into the office of the Sun Kwok Daily News in 1901 last night.  
The Sun Kwok is a Kuomintang controlled newspaper and is the first newspaper in Malaya to be attacked since the start of the current terrorist campaign.—United Press.

## EDITORIAL Colony's Living Costs

THE result of the Telegraph's HCL Questionnaire is published on this page today, and while the figures will startle few people, they are on the record for reference purposes and may even afford some help to the committee now sitting to investigate Government servants' high cost of living allowance.  
The answers to the questionnaire provided a good cross-section of European living costs. Our Chinese readers did not readily respond to the invitation to disclose confidentially their living expenses and in consequence only in two groups—a family of three, and a family of five—has it been possible to gain any accurate idea of what it is costing Chinese married couples and their families to live. But the figures which are available are impressive. A family of three needs an income of \$550 a month if they are not to run into debt; a family of five requires an income of \$840. These are expenditures which make the current cost of living index and food and fuel averages look rather futile. For the family of three, food, light and fuel alone amount to an average of \$200 a month, and for the largest family \$400. Not so apparent is whether, on the average, the Chinese worker with a family of three or five is earning as much as \$550 and \$840 a month respectively. Furthermore, the tabulated figures conceivably demonstrate that the Colony's cost of living is by no means going down. The bare essentials of everyday life appear to be as high now as they were a year and more ago. A few luxury lines show reduced prices, largely because the market has become glutted with those particular commodities; but overall, rents, food, servants, lighting and heating, transport, schooling and other necessary items remain at a high level—and display no signs of reduction. Frankly, the problem posed by the results of the HCL Questionnaire is how can living costs be brought down? In practically every instance the questionnaire was filled in honestly, and in some cases it was shown that families are having to exceed their incomes every month. Increasing salaries and HCL allowances may alleviate the distressing situation in which many married men and their families are in today, but there is a limit to which these can be taken as an economic proposition. The crying need is for a reduction in retail prices of consumer goods. Yet there seems to be little prospect in that direction. Despite the platitude of "everything (save mutton and lamb) food is exceedingly expensive. Fish varies in price from week to week, almost day to day, but never has it become really cheap since the war. The same can be said about meat. And flamed foodstuffs, which constitute an important part of the average family's diet, are generally speaking, highly priced despite big supplies. It is noticeable that, with certain commodities, the generally accepted economic law of supply and demand is no longer effective in relation to retail prices, and the indications are that living costs have, for the most part, found their new normal level. This probability, together with the results of the HCL Questionnaire, point to the necessity of a general readjustment of wages and salaries—both official and unofficial.

# What It Costs To Live In H.K. Today

## HCL Questionnaire Result: Significant Figures

The Telegraph's HCL Questionnaire shows that it is costing an average of \$1,299 a month for two married people to live European style in Hongkong at the present; an average of \$1,444 for a family of three; an average of \$1,420 for a family of four; an average of \$1,700 for a family of five; and, somewhat paradoxically, an average of \$1,306 for a family of six.

Only in two groups was it found possible to obtain an average monthly budget based on Chinese style of living. For a family of three the average is \$560 and for a family of five, \$840.

Here are some of the average monthly expenditure on items listed in the Questionnaire.

**FAMILY OF TWO**  
Rent averages \$322, with given figures varying from \$80 to \$720. Food costs an average of \$251, again varying from \$300 to \$500. Servants on the average call for \$100 a month, light and fuel costs \$61, clothing \$88, transportation \$46, insurance \$83, entertainment, \$116 and other items, such as medical expenses, clubs, etc., \$131.

**FAMILY OF THREE**  
Rents again varied considerably, averaging \$207, but they included Government quarters at \$80 a month and boarding room accommodation at \$700. Food worked out on an average at \$555, servants at \$160, light and fuel at \$70, schooling at \$43, clothing \$100, transport \$60, insurance \$100 (although significantly less than 50 percent carried insurance), entertainment \$38 and sundries \$190. Living Chinese style the averages were: rent \$150, food \$225, clothing \$67, light and fuel \$34, clothing \$24, transport \$30, insurance \$20, nothing shown for entertainment, and sundries \$60.

**FAMILY OF FOUR**  
Significantly, only one percent in this group could afford insurance, and only 40 percent could set aside anything for an entertainment. The group showed clearly that, in order to live anywhere within incomes, big sacrifices had to be made.

**FAMILY OF FIVE**  
The average broken down figures show that a family of four spends \$120 on rent, \$640 for food, \$180 servants, \$71 light and fuel, \$30 for schooling, \$99 on clothing, \$73 for transport, and \$73 for sundries.

**FAMILY OF SIX**  
Curiously, the average total expenditure per month worked out at less than either the family of five or family of four groups, and was as low as \$1,306. There were some striking differences, however, in some of the items. Rents ranged from \$60 to \$230, light and fuel from \$50 to \$90, clothing from \$30 to \$150, entertainment and sundries from \$100 to \$400.

Another married man whose expenditure totals \$1,333 a month, added the observation "This figure is the absolute limit and equals income. No chance for saving at all." It was noticeable that in addition to the cost of food at home, many men under sundries had to include between \$70 and \$80 a month for tiffin in town. Donations to churches and charitable institutions also cropped up consistently under the "sundries" heading. This item also included laundry and cleaning, toilet requisites, medicine, doctors fees, cigarettes, tobacco, children's pocket money, newspapers and periodicals.

One European with a family of three who estimated his monthly expenditure at \$1,200 observed, "Entertainment is quite out of the question. Clothing can be bought only when sufficient surplus cash is available at the end of each month."

## Dollars From Dog Exports

London, Oct. 1.—Britain is even exporting dogs to earn needed foreign currency.  
In the six weeks ended August 12, exported pedigree dogs earned £22,600. Full value of exported dogs for 1948 is expected to top £200,000.  
The United States is Britain's best customer. Of the batch of exported dogs 91 went to America, among them being miniature poodles, Yorkshire terriers, Welsh terriers, Pekingese, wire-haired terriers, West Highland terriers and English setters.  
Prices for dogs range from £12 to £750, but some have gone higher.  
Cocker spaniels are the most popular dogs abroad and two of this breed are sold for every miniature poodle or Pekingese.—Associated Press.

## Ready For War Or Peace

SAYS ABDULLAH

Amman, Oct. 1.—King Abdullah of Transjordan told a mass meeting of several thousand Palestine refugees on Friday that he is ready for either war or peace.  
The meeting, which had been well advertised in advance, gave the King power to act for Palestine, and adopted 12 resolutions attacking the Gaza Arab Government under the premiership of Ahmed Hilmy Pasha.—Associated Press.

## Jews Cross Jordan

Amman, Oct. 2.—A Jewish force crossed the river Jordan and attacked an Arab police station on the Palestine-Transjordan border early on Friday.

An Arab Legion communiqué said Jews from the Agadud Yakub settlement attacked a police station in the border area of northern Transjordan killing three refugees, including one woman, and wounding five others.  
They also laid some 15 mines on the highway, said the communiqué. Israeli experts exploded the mines.—Associated Press.

## Yaks "Buzz" British Plane

Berlin, Oct. 1.—The British control officer in the Berlin air safety centre lodged a strong verbal protest with the Russian control officer tonight after two Russian Yak fighters had this afternoon "buzzed" a British airlift plane bound for Berlin.

"Two Russian Yak fighters made a mock attack on a Bristol Wayfarer aircraft bound for Gatow," a British official statement said. "The British plane was flying at 1,000 feet about five miles north-west of the Russian airfield at Schoenwalde. This was the second Western 'buzz' protest in three days."

On Wednesday, the Americans handed a written protest to the Russian controller at the air safety centre charging that "during the past several days a number of Soviet aircraft have been operated in such a manner as to endanger United States aircraft engaged in airlift operation to and from Berlin."—Reuter.

## Ship Hits Mine

Copenhagen, Oct. 1.—Forty-one persons were rescued from the Polish steamer, Lech, which struck a mine and blew up in the Baltic today.  
The ship's crew of 31 and 10 passengers were all taken off by two German fishing boats, which landed them tonight in southern Denmark. Danish aircraft had earlier located the scene of the explosion southeast of the Danish island of Zealand. The master of the vessel (1,560 tons), said she was on her way from Gdynia to London with a general cargo.—Reuter.



The camera caught a unique picture at the United Nations General Assembly meeting in Paris, with M. Vishinsky (seated), the truculent Soviet delegate, actually exchanging a laugh with Mr. Warren R. Austin, head of the United States delegation. Later the smile turned into a scowl when speaker after speaker hotly criticised Soviet policy and action in Berlin.—AP Picture.

## Russia's Atomic Bomb Claim May Be True

Paris, Oct. 1.—Soviet Russia hinted strongly today that it can make the atomic bomb and Great Britain indirectly admitted the claim might well be true.

Answering Mr. Vishinsky's charge that the American monopoly of the bomb was an "illusion," Mr. Hector McNeill denounced as "nonsense" and the "poorest type of propaganda" Russia's claim that world confidence would be restored with the destruction of all America's bombs.

Mr. McNeill said: "We don't know whether Russia has the bomb or not. I just say we don't know. We don't know how near she is to perfecting one."  
On the other hand, everyone knows the United States has the bomb. And equally everyone knows that she is willing to make her information available for international control providing she obtains by agreement a reciprocity from the other nations regarding international control and inspection.

**DESTRUCTION NO SOLUTION**  
To destroy all the bombs in America, to destroy all plants known to be in America and to destroy all the plants known to be in England—none of these things would create world confidence.

"The only way confidence can be restored to the world," Mr. McNeill said, "is for all the world to know that the atomic bomb is possessed exclusively by no power."  
Mr. McNeill said: "Confidence can only rest upon the world being assured that no nation is able clandestinely to manufacture atomic energy for atomic weapons. And that can be done only through the development of international control."

Mr. McNeill deplored the tone of Mr. Vishinsky's attack this morning and described it as remarkable for its "degree of vehemence." But he added that he did not think that it was "equally remarkable for its accuracy."

He said that the atomic problem "haunts" the world, including Mr. Vishinsky. But he expressed fear that the "firmness and directness" of Mr. Vishinsky's language makes agreement seem impossible.

**SOFT-TONED SPEECH**  
Mr. McNeill's address was moderate and soft-toned compared with Mr. Vishinsky's wild gesticulations and tirade. Mr. McNeill spoke haltingly.

Mr. McNeill said that he was certain that if any people in any part of the world had the chance to choose between the threat of an atomic war and the sacrifice of some of its national sovereignty, they would "grasp any kind of reasonable assurance that atomic war might be delayed and possibly averted."  
He warned that if the United Nations reports back to the people that an atomic war is threatened, then delegates of all of them here will be denounced.

## "Warning" Strike In France

Coal, Electricity, Gas Prices Up

Paris, Oct. 1.—About 150,000 workers—both Communist and non-Communist unions—in the French nationalised gas and electricity services downed tools in a four-hour "warning" strike against a Government decision to cut their staff by one-tenth.

Gas pressure was low in Paris homes from 8 a.m. until noon, and electric light was cut off intermittently, but the essential services were kept going.

At the same time, the French Cabinet approved substantial increases in coal, electricity, gas and gasoline prices, 24 hours after the grant of a general wage increase of up to 15 per cent.

The recommendations will not, however, operate until consultations are held with the National Price Committee.

The price increases were: coal 22.5 percent a ton; electricity 19.5 percent a kilowatt hour; gas for homes 10 percent; gas for industry 25 percent; for others, by contract; gasoline 30 francs a litre for priority users (as against 32 francs at present) and 64 francs for non-priority users.

## MINERS THREAT

Meanwhile, efforts continued today to avert a threatened strike of 335,000 miners which would deprive France of 145,000 tons of coal a day and possibly paralyse railways and industry.

Bakers who are fighting a "coupon war" with the Government put bread on sale in Paris without coupons today. The National Bakers Association decided two days ago that they would not count bread coupons any more but simply hand in those they received in bulk.

The Miners Federation, affiliated to the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour, tonight called on France's 335,000 miners to come out on strike Monday, October 4, but M. Robert Lacoste, the Minister of Industry and Commerce, has appealed to the miners to abandon the strike.—Reuter.

## RA BAND ON WAY TO H.K.

Liverpool, Oct. 1.—The 31-man band of the Royal Artillery sailed yesterday aboard the troopship Lancashire for a six months tour of the Far East where they will play for troops in Ceylon, Singapore and Hong Kong.

Four hundred soldiers and 200 women and children of soldiers' families also were aboard.

With them were three young Chinese men, who came to Britain four years ago as Naval cadets and now are returning home as qualified naval engineers.

They are C. C. Chang, C. I. Tien and C. S. Han, all trained at the Royal Navy Engineers college at Devonport.—Associated Press.

## EXPECTING QUADS

London, Oct. 1.—A Middlesex hospital disclosed today that one of its patients is expecting quadruplets near Christmas time.

Hospital officials said the woman, an unnamed North Londoner, is very well and happy at the prospect.—Associated Press.

## Alleged Cabinet Documents Either Stolen Or Forged

Canberra, Oct. 1.—The Prime Minister, Mr. J. B. Chifley declared in the House of Representatives on Friday that documents, stating he had said the United States refused Australia atomic secrets, were either stolen or forged.

Mr. Chifley was replying to the leader of the opposition country party, Mr. Arthur Fadden. Mr. Fadden on Thursday produced documents which, he said, showed that Mr. Chifley told a British Cabinet meeting on July 8 that the United States was unwilling to give atomic secrets to Australia because of fear of leakage to Russia, through Australian Communists.

The Prime Minister denied that he had discussed atomic energy in Britain.

"I do not disclose what happens in Cabinet meetings," he said. "No officer attended any British Cabinet meeting with me. No written document was ever presented to me by the British Cabinet."

"If the statement made was true, it could only be recorded by an officer of the British Cabinet and would be of a completely secret character. Therefore, if true, Mr. Fadden was quoting from a stolen document. If it is not true, he was quoting from a forged document."

"I propose to make inquiries as to how he or anybody else would have the right to obtain such a document," the Prime Minister said.

Mr. Fadden told the House he had neither sought nor bought the information from which he quoted. The documents, said Mr. Fadden, came into his hands from a person about whom he knew nothing.—Associated Press.

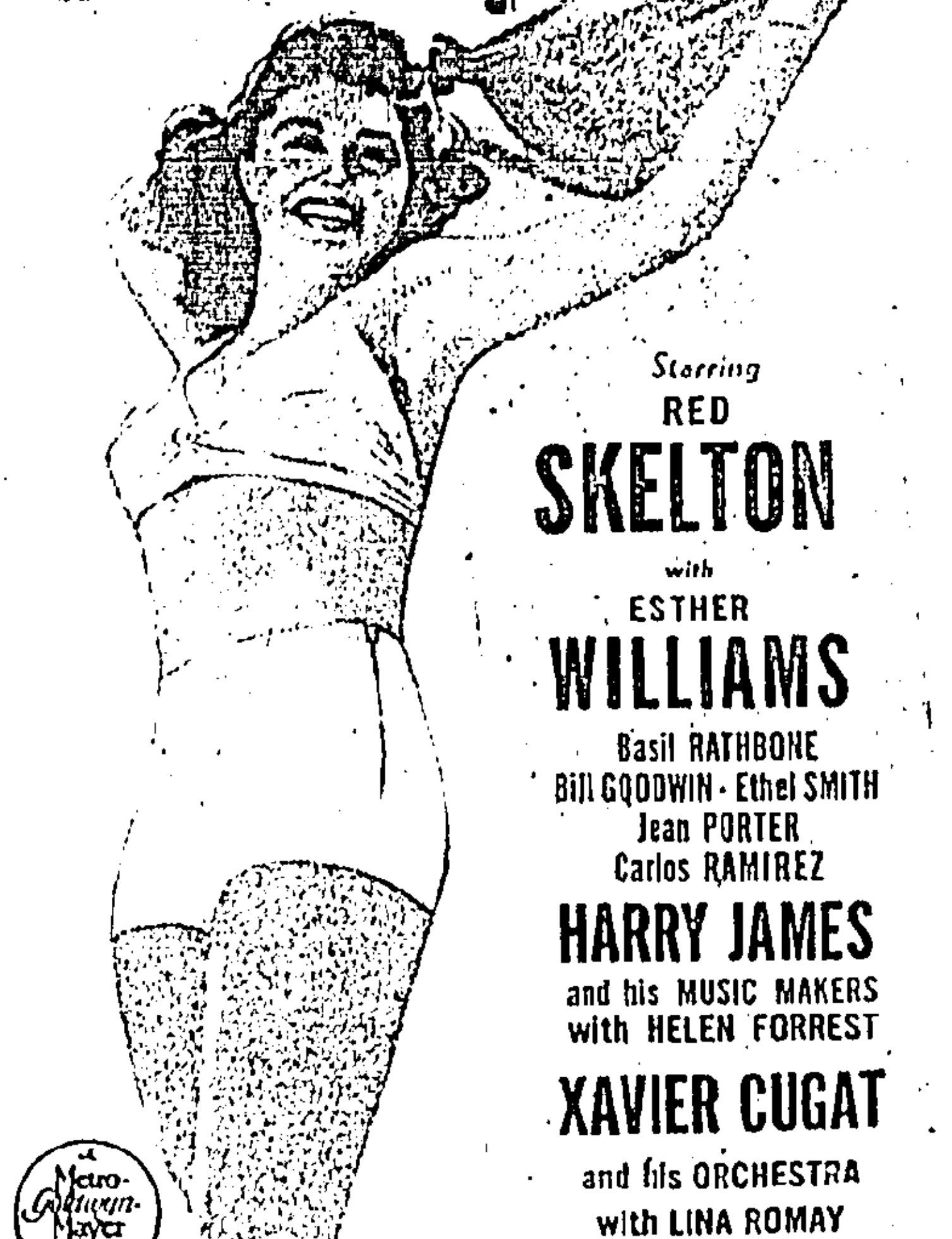


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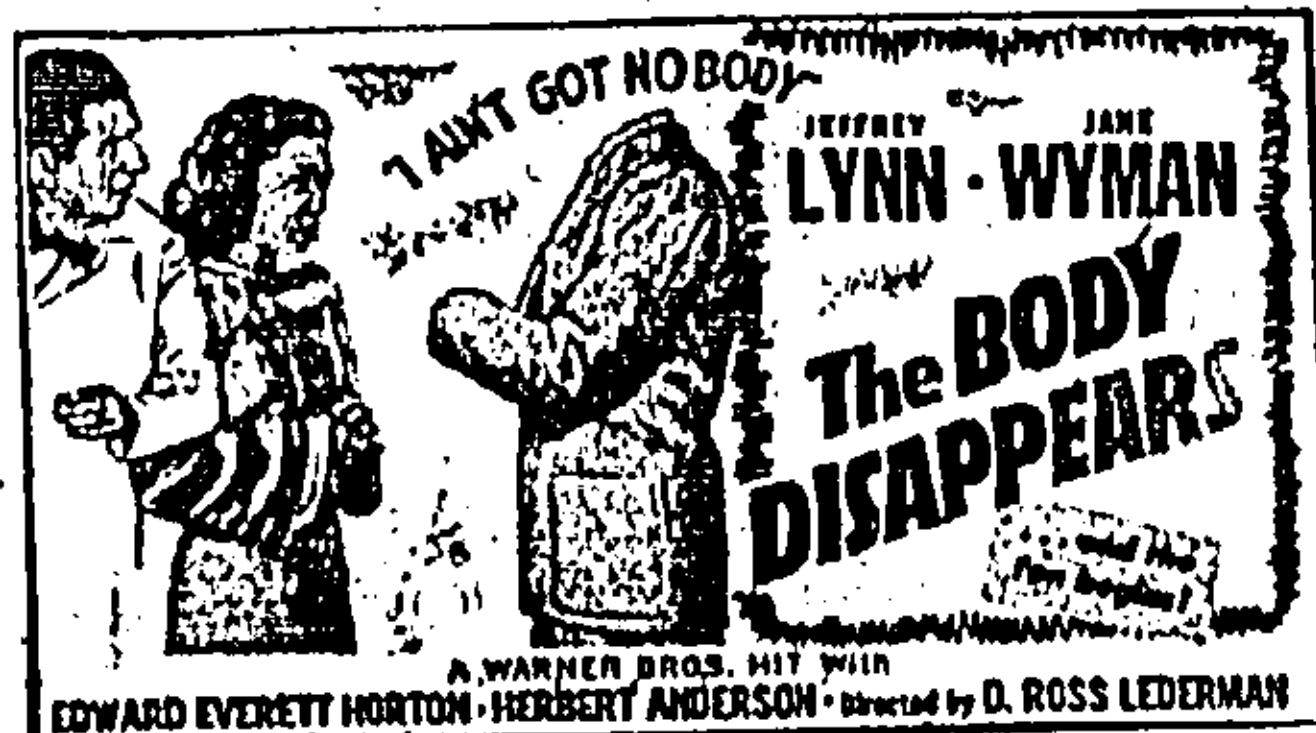
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## WHEN YOU VISIT A STUDIO, LOOK AT A CALL SHEET

By MELROSE GOWER

THE "Call Sheet" is Hollywood's Bible.

The Call Sheet is a piece of white paper nine inches wide by 13 inches long, containing an assistant director's instructions for the day's filming of a motion picture.

The Call Sheet lists the names of all actors and actresses "on call" to work each day, names the location where filming will take place, describes the sets, states the exact time work will start on each scene, and outlines the day's demands on all studio departments.

The Call Sheet is worth more than a film star's pay cheque. No star would get a pay cheque if the instructions on the Call Sheet did not make it possible to film big pictures accurately, swiftly and on time. Directors and their assistants, department heads, stars, feature players and extras carry the day's Call Sheet stuffed in their pockets. The Call Sheet is pinned to countless bulletin boards, where he who runs may read.

### MUMBO-JUMBO

TO the studio visitor, however, the Call Sheet is so much mumbo-jumbo, meaning nil. It might as well be written in Sanskrit, for all the information it conveys to them. Its cryptic, enigmatic instructions, phrased in the strange language employed by film technical men, would baffle even a cipher expert.

Samuel? Certainly. "Six street women" were requested one day on the Call Sheet of the Leo McCarey production, "Good Sam." Assistant Director Jesse Hibbs did not want six women of easy virtue to hobnob with Gary Cooper and Ann Sheridan, however. He

was asking merely for six feminine extras as background pedestrians. "Best" and "gaffer" on set at 7 a.m. was an instruction on the Call Sheet of RKO Radio's technical picture, "The Boy With Green Hair." For your information, a "gaffer" is the head electrician on a picture, the "best boy" is his assistant.

One of the last Call Sheets for "Berlin Express," to be released shortly with Merle Oberon, Robert Ryan, Charles Korvin and Paul Lukas, bore the following memo from Assistant Director Nate Levinson: "Will notify if part of clown will work."

### A BIG ORDER

THAT was all. No reference was made as to what part of the clown might be used. But the Office understood immediately that it would be told later whether or not to call the actor assigned to play the role of a circus clown.

It sounded like a mighty big order when a Call Sheet for the picture "Weep No More" requested "three flat-tops." As it turned out, Assistant Director Harry D'Arcy did not need three airplane carriers. He was calling for three plain, run-of-the-mill flat-topped dressing rooms, as distinguished from the more luxurious trailers provided for the stars, Joseph Cotten and the Italian actress, Valli.

One of the requirements listed on a Call Sheet for "Station West," on which Dick Powell and Jane Greer are now working, was "four grips on set." But no suitcases were in evidence when the day's filming started—the answer being that a "grip" is a husky movie stage hand.

Maxwell Henry, assistant director on "Blood on the Moon," in which Robert Montgomery, Barbara Bel Geddes and Robert Preston are

starred, listed on his Call Sheet a request for "man to blow smoke rings." That did not mean, however, a man peculiarly gifted with that odd cigarette-smoking accomplishment. The man who "blows" smoke rings for a movie scene does not blow them at all. He is a technician who fills a can containing a round hole in the top with smoke—then, tapping the bottom scientifically, he produces the most perfect smoke rings ever seen!

The Call Sheet for Rosalind Russell's latest picture, "The Velvet Touch," asked one day for "two 'b.b.' to open big doors." Quiet, please—an "b.b." in movie parlance is a "stand-by."

Deceptive, surely, is the phraseology of the Call Sheet, deceptive as the remark of the braggart who returned from Africa with the statement that he had "killed lions with a club."

"Weren't you scared?" gasped a woman listener. "No," was the bland reply. "There were fifty members of the club!"



Phyllis Coates is an up and coming young actress to watch. So far she has had small roles, but she has been offered a leading part.

## LORETTA ANSWERED THE CALL

By PATRICIA CLARY

IF opportunity knocks but once, Loretta Young certainly answered the right call. She often wonders now what would have happened if she hadn't.

Miss Young was only 13 when she scrambled out of the bathtub to answer the telephone in her San Fernando valley cottage.

"Come over to the studio immediately, Polly," a voice said. "We have to get rolling on this picture right away. If you aren't here within half an hour, you'll lose the part."

Miss Young didn't answer to the name of Polly but the voice on the line didn't give her a chance to say so. She realised that she couldn't reach her sister, Polly, in time for her to go to the studio, so she went herself.

Director Mervyn LeRoy was amused by Miss Young's pertness when she told him why she was there. He gave her an immediate screen test and a part in the picture, "Naughty But Nice." It wasn't a big part but it launched her career.

### Learned to Gamble

"I learned then, and remembered thereafter, that you have to gamble if you expect to get any place in 'show business,'" Miss Young said. "I have always tried to take advantage of situations as they come up."

Now, 20 years later, Miss Young has a gold Oscar, the motion picture industry's highest award for artistic ability.

Currently starring in Hal Wallis' production, "The Accused," Miss Young has never forgotten the telephone call which resulted in her acting career.

"I often wonder what would have happened," she said, "if Polly Ann had been home, or if Mervyn had given me a chance to tell him I wasn't Polly Ann, or if I had been afraid to answer the call. I didn't know what I might be doing today in that case. I never might have had another chance."—United Press.

## UNADULTERATED NOSTALGIA

By LEONARD MOSLEY

UNTIL an experience this week changed my mind for me, I used to envy young people between the ages of 15 and 25—and not just because I will never know adolescence again myself.

No, I considered them fortunate because what is a messy and neurotic world to me must appear quite normal to them. They have never known any other world. They never knew the years of plenty, never tasted the quietude, the follies, the carefree days of the pre-war years.

Lucky people, I thought. They don't know what it is like to be filled with nostalgia, don't realise that a zest is missing from 1948, don't sigh over memories of the past.

### SOMETHING LACKING

AND then I took a 17-year-old girl to see a film called "SLEEP WITH FATHER" (soon to be seen in Hongkong), and what she said to me when it was over made me realise that present-day youth is also aware that something important is lacking from this new world.



Hazel Court, British film actress, models a dual-purpose play and swim suit in red, blue and white cotton. The outfit has a bolero and skirt, which she holds over right arm.

### SIMPLE CRISES

PSYCHIATRISTS didn't exist. Women had the "vapours" instead of nervous breakdowns. Food was cheap and so was beer. You argued about the prospects of the local team instead of wondering whether your workmate was a Communist spy.

We sat through it, laughing at the simple-minded crises in the family of Mr. Clarence Day in 1900, weeping at the sentimental moments. Afterwards, my girl companion was silent for a long time.

She sipped at her ersatz orange juice and nibbled reflectively at a fishpaste sandwich.

Suddenly she said: "What a stupid lot of people they were in those days. They got worked up over such silly things." And then: "Heavens, I wish we could do the same sometimes. It's a shame, isn't it? We picked the wrong moment to be born."

Not that I would want you to go to this film for a lesson in social behaviourism! Go because it is fun. Mr. Day, the Father of the film (excellently played by William Powell), is a man with a temper of brimstone and a heart of gold. He likes to feel that he runs his family with a rod of iron. And his family, just to keep him happy, let him retain this erroneous illusion.

### BEAUTIFULLY TEARFUL

THEY know how to get around the old man. Mother has only to look beautifully tearful (not hard for Irene Dunne) to get an increase in her shopping allowance, invite home a couple of relatives father dislikes, or even persuade Mr. Day to have himself baptised 50 years too late. His three red-headed sons have their own hilarious methods of getting their own way. You will be richer for watching them, and regretful, like my 17-year-old girl, that nowadays we can't get quite so worked up about such gloriously silly things.

## "JOAN OF ARC" PREMIERE

"Joan of Arc," the spectacular technicolour production which stars Ingrid Bergman, will have its world premiere in the newly renovated Victoria Theatre on Broadway, New York, on November 11.

Walter Wagner produced the picture, and Victor Fleming was the director. The costliest film ever produced in Hollywood, "Joan of Arc" had an outlay of US\$7,000,000.

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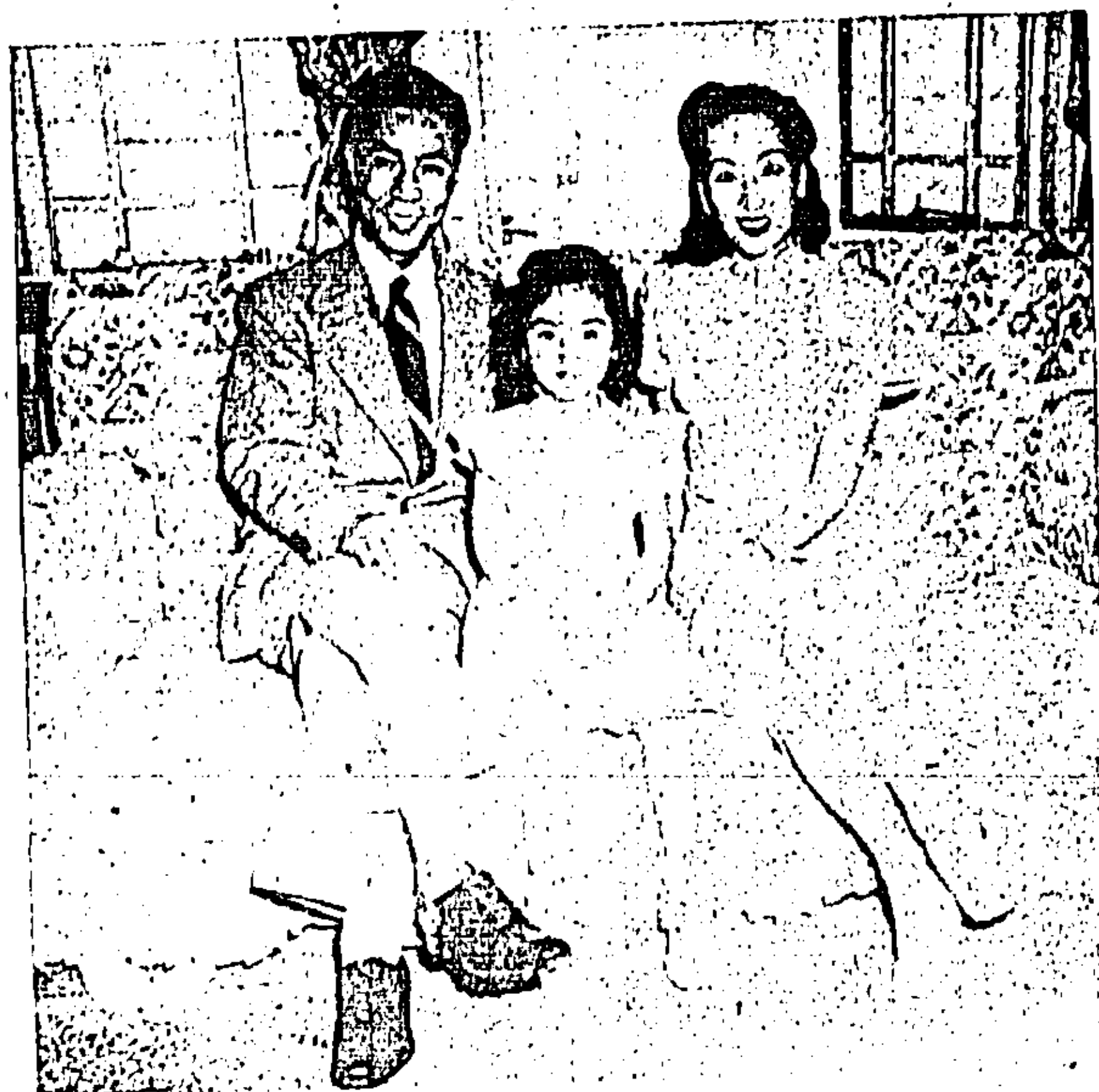


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DR Cheng Kang-chi, formerly Charge D'Affaires of the Chinese Embassy in Canberra, Australia, passed through Hongkong last week with Mrs Cheng and their daughter, Mei-ping, en route to Nanking to take up a new post at the Waichiao. This picture was taken in their suite at the Peninsula Hotel. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



PHOTO taken at the reception given after the wedding at St Teresa's Church last Saturday of Mr Luiz Gonzaga Cosano and Miss Socorro Filomena Baptista. (Golden Studio)



FRIENDS offering felicitations to Mr Edmund Y. M. Sun and Miss Elizabeth Lu Min Kwan, who were married at the Hop Yat Church last Saturday. (Francis Wu)



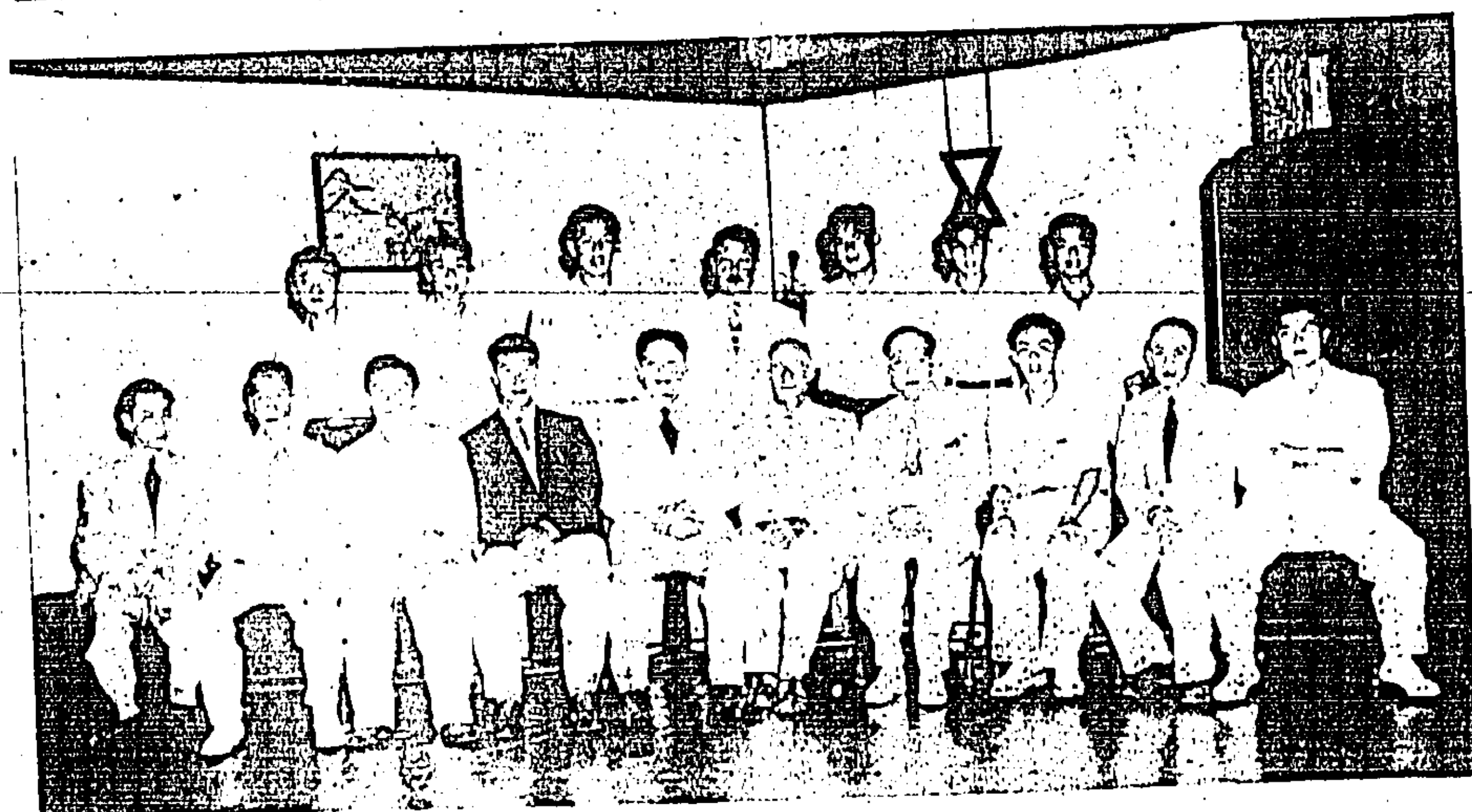
LEFT: Photo taken after the christening at St Joseph's Church last Saturday of Andrew, infant son of Mr and Mrs A. Mullen. (Ming Yuen)



LEFT: Mr Fisher Y. C. Yu, special representative in Hongkong of the Central Bank of China, who has just returned from a short trip to Nanking. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



MR Andrew Tsui Chak-man and his bride, formerly Miss May Kwan, photographed with their attendants after their wedding at St Margaret's Church on Tuesday. (Kaming Chan)



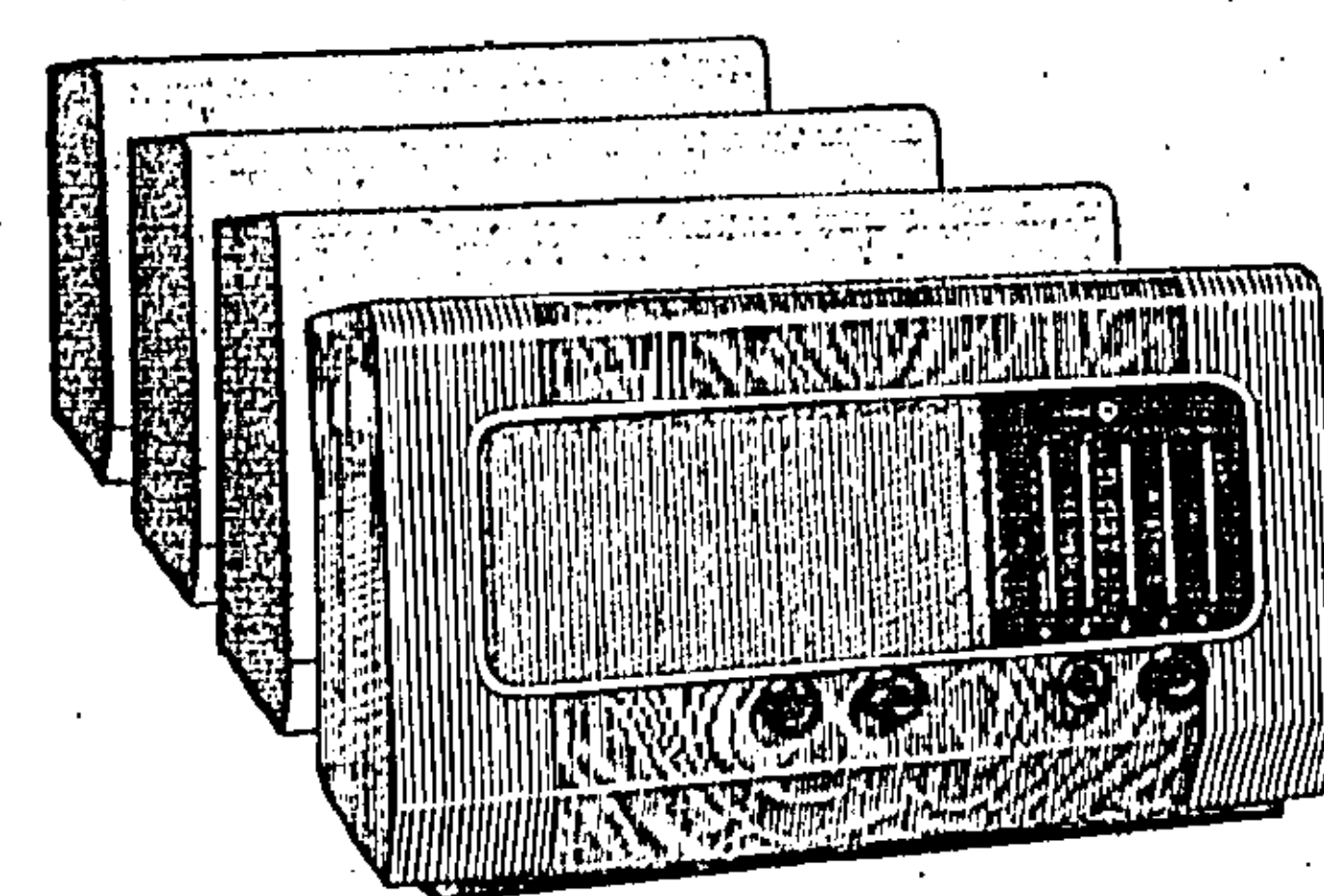
THE St Stephen's College seven-a-side football team, which recently won the Junior Stanley Shield, was entertained to dinner by old boys of the College at the Chinese Club last week, when this group picture was taken. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



PICTURE taken at St Andrew's Church last week after the christening of Karen Ellen Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs J. J. King. (Francis Wu)



THE parental home in Canton of Dr Li Shu-fan, Dr Li Shu-pui and brothers has been presented to the Evangelical Free Church of China as a missionary residence, and will be known as the Li Hok Paak Memorial. The deeds to the property were presented by Dr Li Shu-fan to the Rev. A. G. Lindquist at a ceremony at the Hongkong Hotel last week. (Ming Yuen)



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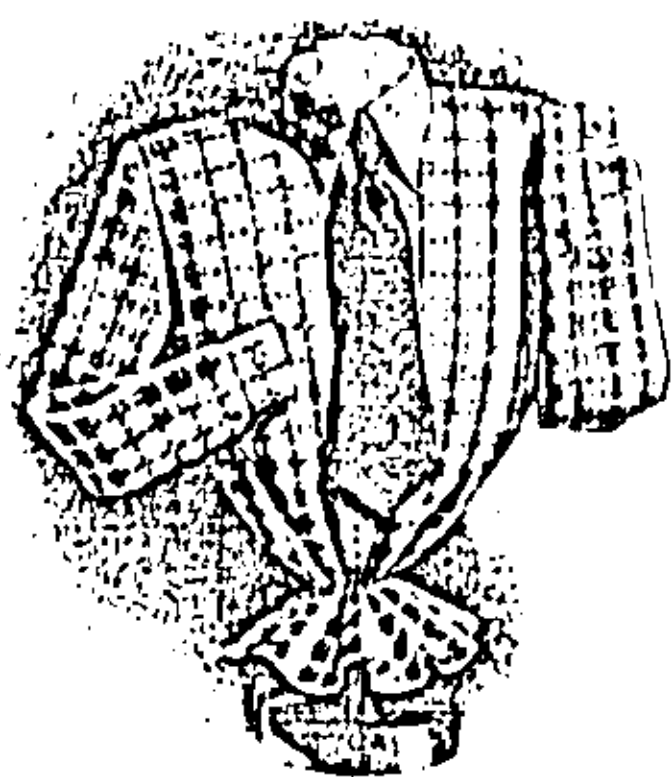
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# WEEK-END WOMANSENSE

## DRESSES FOR 1949

By  
**Victoria  
Chappelle**



Three exclusive Matita models are here illustrated. Gay and informal is the jersey two-piece at the left. It is distinguished by the wide stripes on the jacket worn over a plain dress, which the stripes again appear. Stripes in groups of fours appear on the centre model. Simply cut, the jacket has low revers with double-breasted closure and turned-back cuffs on the sleeves. The slim skirt has a double knife pleat in front. On the right is an attractive two-piece for the "under twenties" with a checked full skirt, darker top, and plain jacket linked to the skirt by a band of the checked material on the pocket.

**T**WEEDS took pride of place in the 1949 autumn and winter London fashions, with worsteds a good second. These were mostly in soft colour combinations in striped, checked and flecked designs and in small indefinite patterns.

Their suppleness was a feature commented upon by buyers, and it was noted that most of the ensembles—that is topcoat and suit or dress—showed two weights of material together, the coat being heavier than the suit and the dress lighter still.

Jerseys were used well and with imagination, a striped jacket, for instance, being teamed with a plain frock on which the stripe appeared again as a neck and shoulder trimming.

The use of striped and checked fabrics in the Matita collection, as in many of the other wholesale model houses, was often effected by putting a plain jacket with a striped skirt; in some cases the

jacket was given a pseudo vest of the striped material and cuff trimming to match. This combination of two plain and patterned materials for sports and country wear but the jacket can be worn with other skirts or suits.

These suits are very carefully styled with lines which make them suitable either for the teen-ager or the older woman, and although the waists are cut to look small, shoulder lines are given a modicum of padding so that the jacket keeps its shape.

Closures are interesting, too, in that a double-breasted effect may be given to a jacket by giving it lower-cut revers than have been popular for some time. In spite of this, however, the cardigan line still keeps its popularity, and two-piece suits comprising dress and jacket are popular.

One point which is worth noting is the clever manner in which some of these striped fabrics are used to stress curves. On one Matita model, for instance, a dark line was introduced between a row of five narrow stripes on the hips, again below the shoulders and once more on the turned-back cuff.

## Furnishing The Baby's Bedroom

By ELEANOR ROSS

**T**HERE may be some gaps in regular furniture stocks in many of the stores, but the departments devoted to nursery furniture are well stocked, not only with standbys, but some charming novelties.

There are some very practical items, too, some of them a boon to those with restricted residential space. To solve limited storage space there are cleverly constructed drawers that clip to the springs of the crib. Offers nice storage space for blankets, crib sheets, pads and such.

Baby goes colonial with four-poster cribs and miniature four-poster beds. Doting relatives might like to chip in for a beautiful four-

poster crib, white with blue floral decoration at head and foot. A white organdy canopy, matching cover and pillow slip contribute a luxurious air to this charming crib. There is a matching set of nursery pieces, including chests, bureaus, wardrobes, tables and chairs.

Inexpensive, and most practical, is an attractive wicker basket equipped with handles. Placed on a stand, it makes a good crib, and it is a nice gadget in which to take baby visiting. A plastic-imitated pink quilted and padded lining fits over it. There is a matching motif, and a pink organdy frill gives it a dressed-up look.

Among the gadgets that are gaining in popularity is a sort of nursery detective, an amplifier to place by baby's crib which connects with a transmitter in other rooms of the house, so that a cry, a cough, a scream can be immediately heard. This is a boon in a large house.

Other items of nursery furniture that offer improvements include the coop and the playpen. A particularly sensible playpen is made of lightweight rustless aluminium tubing, with sides of cotton mesh. The bottom, of waterproof plastic, is removable, and would make a nice playbox outside. The pen folds compactly for storage.

Long overdue, but now on the market, are tip-proof high chairs. One model has a chair that is removable from its stand to form a table and chair set, and every piece of it is constructed that not even the liveliest infant can damage it.

## Leather For All Purposes

**T**ODAY travel by air has become a commonplace. Luggage has lost its bulk and weight, and the traveller demands cases which shut flush so that they nest into the boot of his car or will give him little trouble at the airport.

He may choose a cowhide suitcase in crimson trimmed with oatmeal, fitted with pockets to take his shoes, or it may be the lightest of cases for his night journey on the air liner carrying his pyjamas, shaving kit and shirt. The locks click open efficiently, and the lid closes down with the air-escaping sigh of the precision fit.

Handstitched throughout, the seams will survive breaking threads, so often the cause of bursting sides on machine-made luggage. Tops are imperceptibly curved to resist the wring of over-packing, and ensure sound locks even when the case is old.

**Crossless Packing**  
Cases specially fitted for crossless packing cater for the well-dressed woman, and for the business man there is a suite of cases with a matching value. Such examples of the leather-worker's art are all being made for export by United Kingdom manufacturers.

Now the order of the day for women's handbags is the unmistakably feminine bag, soft shaped, with delicate folds of suede, dainty frames and sometimes ornamented with jewels. Colours are either soft pastel shades of grey, blue or greenish gold, or gay reds and yellows.

Today gloves are an important part of a woman's accessories. Toning in with her dress, handbag and shoes, they are made in soft suedes, again in pastel or bright colours, and are often ornamented with matching lacing on the backs, or perhaps perforated with a pleasing design. Some have ornamental bracelets round the wrists, and others, toning in with the stripe fashion, have backs of alternate strips of suede and grain leather.

Latest fashions in shoes show that the medium wedge has gone for good, and high heels, so flattering to ankles and pose, have taken their place. Dainty scrolls ornament the short-fronted high-heeled court shoe or several instep straps carry through the smartness of a new striped dress. For sports and leisure, there are the very flat cushion-soled casuals of classic line.

**Leather Clothing**  
Even more outstanding in the fashion field are the exciting new designs in leather clothing. Suede dresses have provided something different for cocktail occasions. In perhaps, pin striped antelope grey, the suede is softly flared at the skirt, and three-quarter length sleeves and classical high neckline add grace to the soft material.

For holiday wear there are "peddle pushers" with matching waistcoat, or brief suede shorts in many new shades with loader jackets to match.

Then there are overcoats for travel or town wear. In rose pink suede, there are tailored coats with attractive patch pockets for town, and there is a white grain coat and matching helmet hat specially designed for air travel.

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## YOUR EMOTIONS ARE SHOWING

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

**I**N all our relationships with other people the most eloquent and powerful forces in us are our emotions. They cannot be hidden. They are not expressed alone in words. Indeed, they are a universal language. Even an infant a few weeks old can read them.

Human emotions are most eloquent, as rule, in all family relationships—between husband and wife, parent and child, or among other persons there. They are the legal tender of all exchange in family endeavours or in family conflicts.

These facts make it difficult to tell any one clearly how to be a good husband or wife or parent or how to solve any parent problem. It may be easy to give directions for operating a perfectly good machine. But how much more difficult to operate another person of any age at home or elsewhere.

### No Specific Rules

There are no specific rules that one can put into words, which show how always to manage one's emotions perfectly. Emotions are too

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complex. They are dependent on too many variables. Yet there are a few guiding principles of a general sort.

Suppose the youngster aged two, does not want to eat his carrots or drink his milk or eat other foods you know he should have. You are concerned about his proper nourishment. You want him to eat amply of what you prepare for him. You want to cultivate a good appetite in him. But as you seem to face defeat you are vexed and anxious. The youngster sensing your emotions also gets some like them. You urge or try to force the child to eat. He resists with anger. Your vexation waxes.

Before you know it there may be an awful scene, the core of which are your emotions and the child's. At the next meal similar emotions arise in you and the youngster, growing in force with time. Practically all eating problems in the child one, three or ten are chiefly emotional, as you can see. Manifestly the parent holds the strategic place. She can do most about it in accordance with her self-control over her emotions.

Think of all the ways in which hampering emotions can hinder you in winning co-operation of the tot concerning toilet habits, his learning to dress himself and to do other things for himself. Don't overlook the happy emotions which can win his co-operation in all such cases, not excepting eating happily what is set before him.

### In a Rage

Call to mind the boy in a rage arguing with the parent over her decision he dislikes, or the youth who sulks or grouches. Normally the emotions of his vex the parent who in turn furthers these unhappy emotions in him.

Consider all the arguments between parent and child, the shrill, ugly voices stirring up still greater anger in each other. Or all the parental lavings or exhortations arousing more anger in the child as well as in the jawer and exhorter. Back and forth the emotions swing like a pendulum, only hitting harder with each swing.

Of course, no parent can hope to gain or even closely approach perfection. Nevertheless, one truth is self-evident—every parent can improve in his relation to the child as this parent grows in the art of managing better and better his or her own emotions.

## The Shorter Effect By Riche



**N**EW hair styles for 1949 are already here, prompted by the changing lines in millinery. The hair is being worn closer to the head, but it is not every woman who wants to cut her hair short enough to wear curls almost as close as the fringe of the 1920's. The solution to this problem is to give an impression of a short cut. Here is a style designed specially by the famous hairdresser, Riche, of Hay Hill, London. It shows the hair combed out from ringlets and dressed for daytime (in the two upper sketches) and for evening (lower sketch). For the latter, all the back hair is bunched into curls and the hair at the side combed up and brought forward; added hair combed into similar curls is pinned below the crown of the head.



## BEAUTY • FASHIONS • HOME

## Cream in Your Coffee



By PRUNELLA WOOD

A SERIES of fashions called Cafe Paris, and making an entire collection for all hours of the fashion day in the coming season, contributes this smart little town suit. The softly rounded short jacket is a creamy shade of beige; the full skirt with the smooth hips is deep coffee colour.

Not only the city girl, but also she who goes out to meet life from the country or has a vacation date by plane or train, will find this model a flatterer, and one, moreover, which can accommodate a great variety of quick-change accessories.

## Women At The Change Of Life

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

IT has long been a puzzle why some women should suffer so severely during the change of life while others have practically no trouble at all. Admittedly, the glandular changes occurring at this time demand a readjustment of the entire body, but since the changes themselves are the same for all women, modern science believes that the variation in their effects is due to differences in the type of nervous system and its ability to withstand stress and strain.

A woman who is highly sensitive and easily upset may have symptoms early during the change of life, often before the periods stop. In fact, she may get similar symptoms during each monthly period.

## Placid Woman

On the other hand, the stable, placid woman may go through the change of life without hardly any symptoms at all.

It is also interesting to note that women who tend to be gloomy and depressed at the time of the regular monthly periods will have similar symptoms at the time of the change of life. Those who are jittery or irritable and subject to headache or stomach upsets will usually find these symptoms more noticeable at the time of the change. In short, basic weaknesses which

have revealed themselves briefly at previous times are usually intensified during the change of life.

It is for this reason, perhaps, that the use of glandular extracts, known as estrogens, do not do much to relieve the symptoms which occur during the change of life in all instances. It has been noted, too, that a patient who seems to be getting along all right when the estrogens are employed often will have a relapse of the symptoms when something upsets her. Thus, a quarrel with her husband, some worry or infection may bring on the symptoms despite the fact that estrogen is being given.

Women who have trouble during this time need several forms of treatment. Often, reassurance and mental treatment are helpful. Certain preparations may be employed to control the upset nervous system. These include ergotamine tartrate, belladonna, and phenobarbital.

## Proper Diet

The estrogens are helpful in many instances. In mild cases, however, they will not be needed. In moderately severe cases, the drugs which quiet the nervous system may be employed, and in severe cases the estrogens are used. It is suggested that the estrogens should not be continued longer than a few months. The other drugs, also, should be stopped within three to six months and used only as required.

## Comic Books Deplored By Juvenile Expert

Boulder, Col.—One of America's leading writers for young people thinks the effect of comic books on young minds is "deplorable."

Mrs. Florence Crannell Means of Boulder said comic books give youngsters too "glamorized" a picture of the adult world. Problems, she contended, are solved too easily in comic fiction.

Mrs. Means conducted a workshop in juvenile literature at the University of Colorado's writers' conference. In 1945 she received the award of the Child Study Association of America.

Of course, there should be treatment aimed at getting rid of such symptoms as occur. For example, bromides under your doctor's direction may be used for restlessness. Proper diet may help get rid of symptoms due to stomach and bowel disturbances. Arthritic symptoms, that is, pain and aching in the joints, may be relieved by massage.

Thus, any woman who has difficulty during the change of life should have a careful study made by her physician so that the most effective method for getting rid of her symptoms may be employed.

## TOMORROW'S GADGETS FOR THE HOME

By ELIZABETH TOOMEY.  
New York. — Tomorrow's housewife will be "the woman from Mars," judging by a look at some of the wondrous new gadgets on the market.

The electric whiskbroom actually is an electric carpet sweeper with a whiskbroom stroke. The brush makes 1,750 sweeps a minute, with a lever that adjusts to clean naps of any thickness. Even the broom that's operated by hand has had a rejuvenation. Manufacturers have developed a broom with plastic bristles that generate static electricity to trap the dirt.

## Automatic Tin Opener

The automatic tin opener is operated by electricity and is designed to handle any type of tin. A touch of the control knob locks the tin in place and starts the automatic opening. The tin stays in place until you can slip the knob back to release it and shut off the motor at the same time.

Another special development that will appeal also to the man of the house is a small unit to magnetize tools for repair work. Women can use the unit to magnetize scissors for picking up pins, but the most common use will be for magnetizing screwdrivers and hammers to save both thumbs and tempers. The unit plugs into any home electrical outlet.

That old flooring with the rough boards and wide cracks can be covered completely with a new floor paint that claims to give a lacquer-like finish to any type of flooring. The manufacturers say one coat can be spread thickly enough to cover cracks in floor boards and to smooth out rough surfaces. Made to use either inside or outside, the paint (pavimentum) comes in two types for either wood or concrete and metal flooring.

## Home Fire Alarm

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Hang the alarm unit in any room and plug it into the nearest 110-volt electric outlet. The eight fire detectors (fusible metal elements mounted in plastic) are hung where fire dangers exist. The metal melts and breaks the circuit, sounding the alarm horn.



## Menu From India

WHEN I went into the test-kitchen the Chef was nowhere to be found. Suddenly there was a rap on the door and there, before me, a figure resplendent in a cloth-of-gold coat, trousers, and slippers. Dark eyes flashed in a haughty, heavily bearded face, topped by a golden turban in which gleamed a precious jewel.

The splendid apparition bowed. "The Maharajah of Rajputana pays his respects to Madame Allen," I noted a familiar twinkle in his eyes.

"Why, Chef, what's the meaning of this?"

"It is my costume for the television show which we are giving tomorrow night. I shall be the Maharajah who comes to dinner."

Here's an interesting menu that comes straight from India. It's worth trying out, especially when you have a party.

Curry powder, which is the famous seasoning of India—is a blend of various sun-dried spices packaged and on sale everywhere at reasonable cost. It has the property of making any savoury inexpensive food taste good. For our dinner we are using plain knuckle of veal in the East Indian manner.

## Dinner

Indian Chicken Broth  
Veal Curry  
Cocoanut Relish Salad  
Vegetables Hindustan  
Tomato Chutney  
Melon with Lime Wedges  
Milk (Children)

A cocoanut relish salad is often made as follows: Dice two good-sized tomatoes; combine with a fine-shredded sweet green pepper and a little chopped green onion; add tart French dressing to moisten and sprinkle generously with shredded cocoanut.

"Chutney sauce is also good with the curry," remarked the Chef. "We have plenty of ripe tomatoes in the garden. This moment I shall go after them and make a big kettle of tomato chutney. It will be marvelous with our veal curry, and to use a relish with cold meats."

## All Measurements are Level

## Recipes Serve Four

**Indian Chicken Broth.**  
To 5 chicken bouillon (made from chicken cubes or canned chicken broth), add 2 tsp. minced onion, 1 tsp. minced parsley and 1 small, shredded, sweet green pepper. Cover and simmer about 15 min. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Chicken with ½ tsp. arrowroot or cornstarch stirred smooth in 2 tsp. cold water. Stir

## Be Sparing in Use of Perfume



Use an atomizer when applying perfume or cologne, for diffusion of scent.

By HELEN FOLLETT

STAY the heavy hand when you apply perfume. The right scent, properly used, is an integral part of woman's glamour, and glamour is the first requisite of the lady of fashion.

For a long time rose was considered old fashioned. Now it is here again, as befits the quaint styles that have been dug out of the past. It is supposed to be the breath of romance, the most potent of scents. It belongs particularly to the brunettes. Blondes should select gardenia, lily of the valley, jasmine or any of the more delicate aromas. Do you know that there are scents with a fruit basis: orange, peach, cherry, which, when blended with floriated essences, are devastating? There are original offerings that smell of leaves in a forest, characteristic of the outdoor world.

It is nice that every woman does not like the same perfume. It would be pretty dull if the whole world of women carried the same perfume. One of the joys of wearing your favourite is because it makes you feel different from your sisters. It invests you with a little mystery and a touch of excitement.

Nearly every woman has a pet idea as to how perfume should be used. Some put it in the curve of the arms, others place a few drops back of the ears. In the old days it was rubbed on the back of the

hands because hand kissing was a custom.

Whatever you do, don't put it on your hair, especially in warm weather. A little exercise in the sunlight will cause the glands of the scalp to be over active. The chemicals laid upon the flesh will change the character of the perfume, and not for the better. When going to a dance, put a few drops on the hem of your skirt.

## HOME HINTS

To take out grass or flower stains, rub fabric in thick, hot suds. If the stain still remains, use hydrogen peroxide or a chlorine bleach. Very bad stains should be softened first by rubbing with grease.

One teaspoon of mustard added to soapy water will thoroughly deodorize porcelain enamelled refrigerator interiors.

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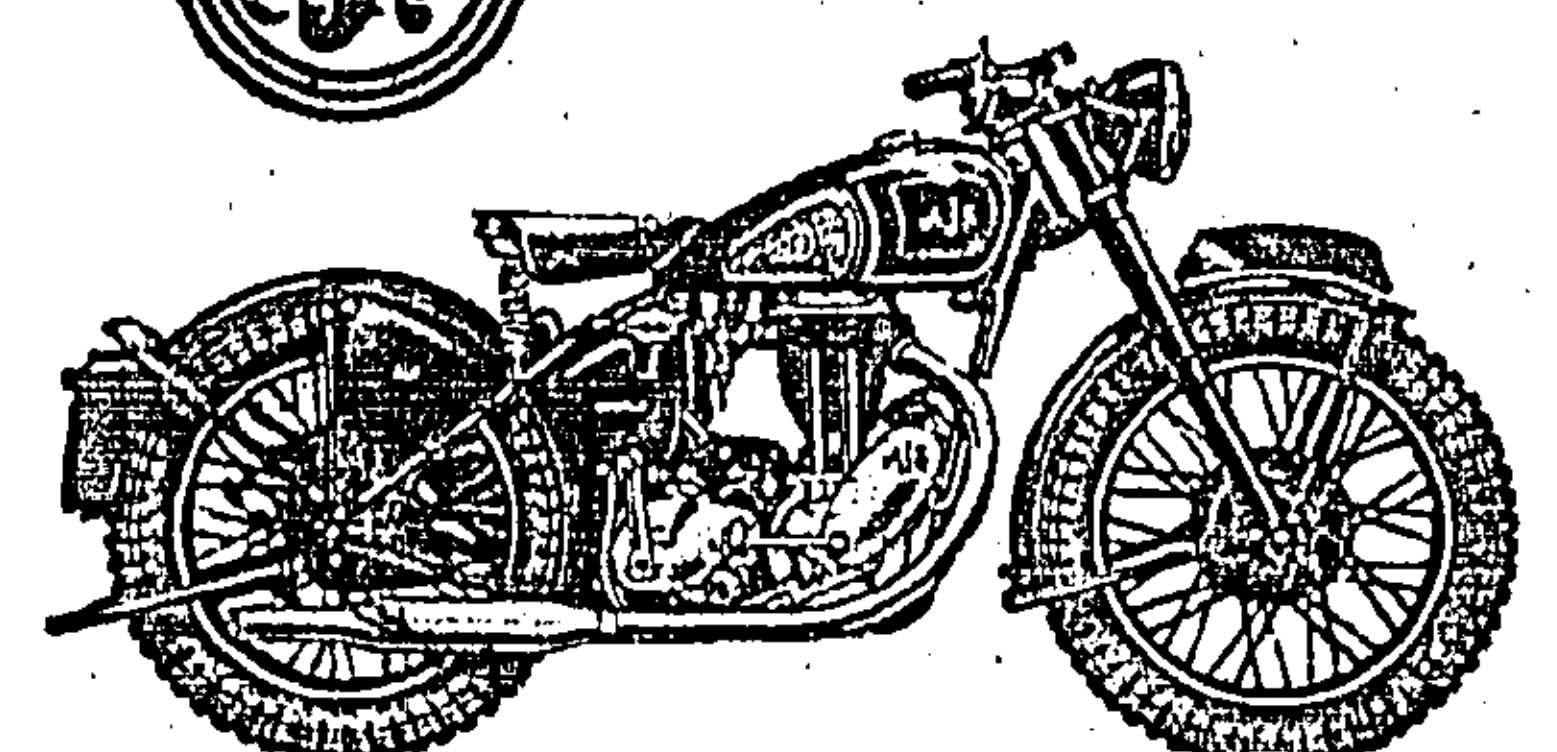
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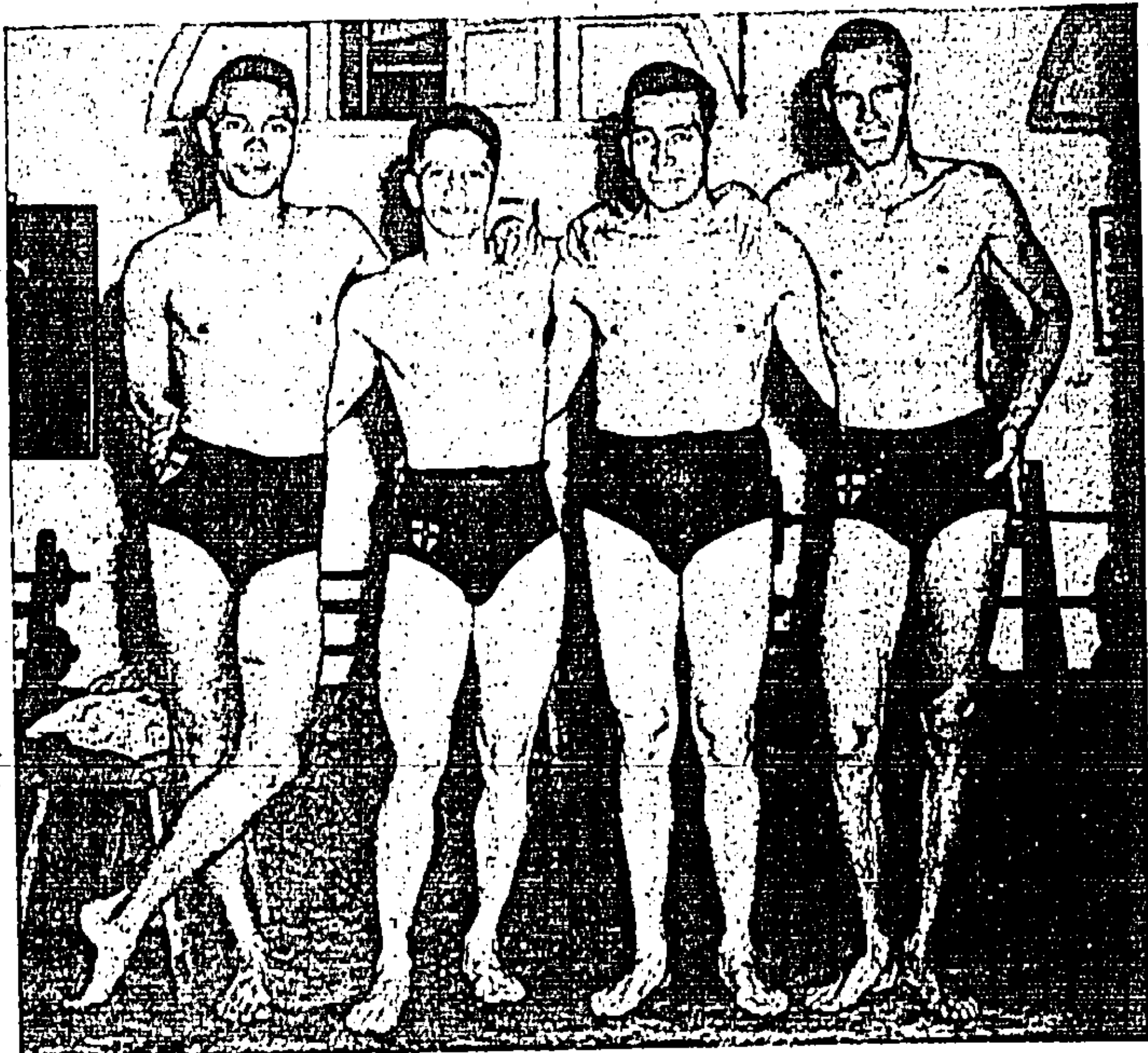
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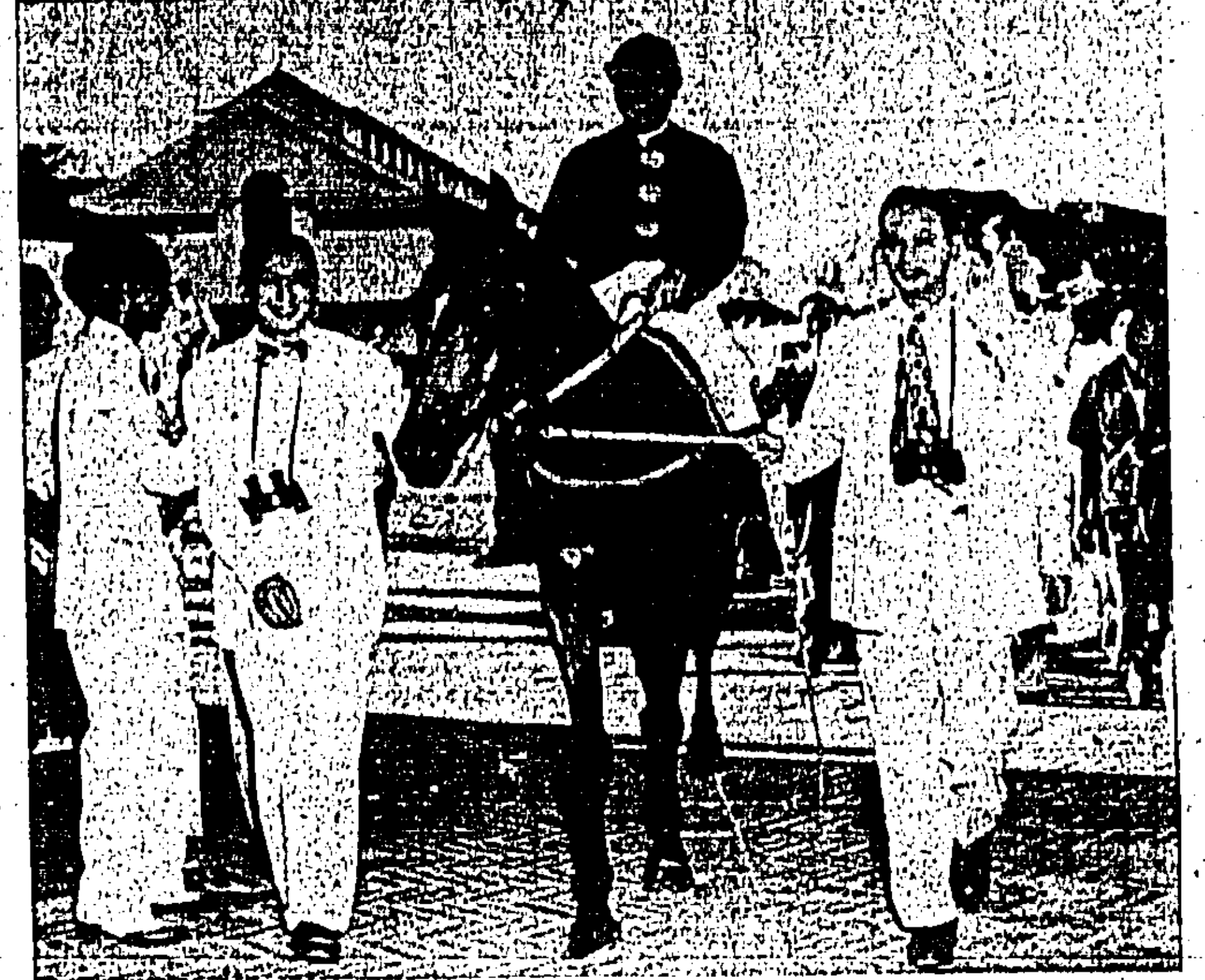
**AQUATIC CHAMPIONS**—Lykke Rose (centre) with the Anderson sisters, Shauna (left) and Heather, who won the women's medley relay for the VRC at the Colony swimming championships this week. Individually, Lykke Rose and Shauna Anderson have broken records. (Golden Studio)



**THE VRC "A" team**, which won the men's 50 yards medley relay at the Colony swimming championships. Left to right: R. F. Monteiro, G. Roza Pereira, W. Lawrence and G. Saunders. (Golden Studio)



**THE highest dividends** at last Saturday's race meeting, the first of the second half of the season, were returned by Kwong Ming and Sunshino. Right: Mr S. K. Lee and Mr Ip Kui-ying leading in Kwong Ming after its victory. The jockey is Mr H. P. Chanson. Left: Mr C. L. Gregory on Sunshino. (Golden Studio)



**MISS Wong Yuen-ching**, who broke several aquatic records at the Chinese National Games early this summer, competed in some events at the Colony swimming championships. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



**RIGHT: Miss Leung Oi-mui**, of the Hongkong University, was another competitor in the Colony swimming championships. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



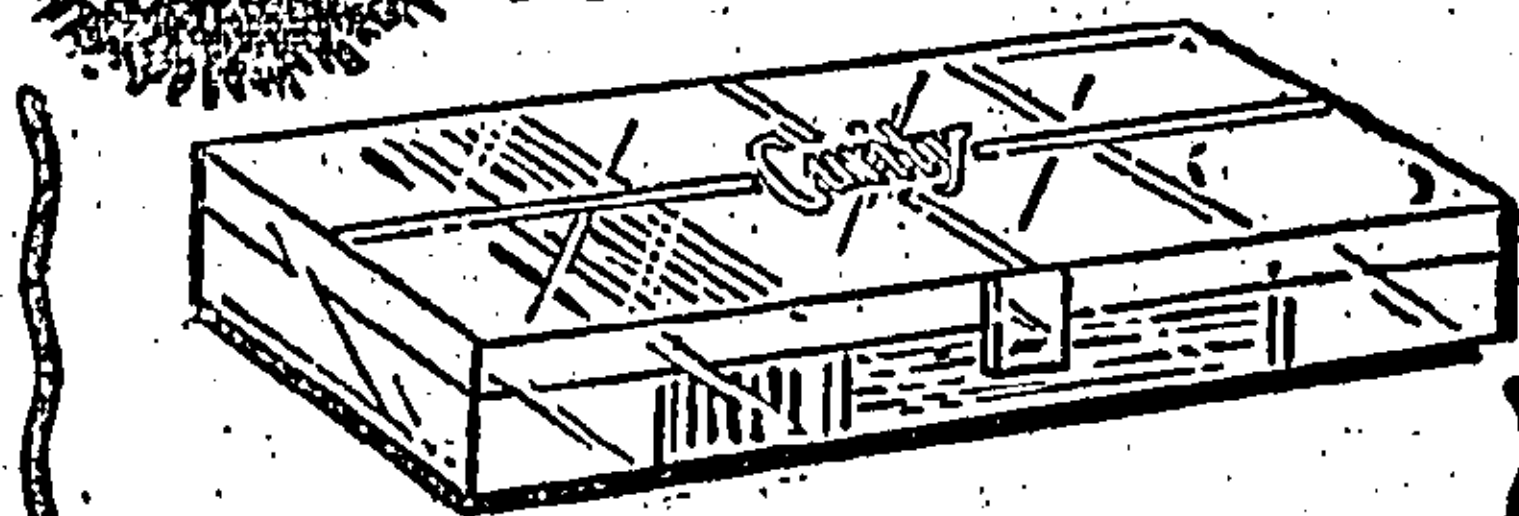
**AT Government House** last week, to mark the inauguration of the International Air Parcel Post service between America and Hongkong, Mr Y. A. Oldham, Jr., Assistant District Traffic Manager of Pan American World Airways, presented a piece of 2000-year-old California redwood to H.E. the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham. (Telegraph Staff Photographer)



**MR Chang Fu-yen**, Director of the Chinese Maritime Customs, speaking at a tea party given in his honour by Mr C. N. Gaylor, Commissioner of Customs for Kowloon and District, at the Hongkong Hotel. (Francis Wu)

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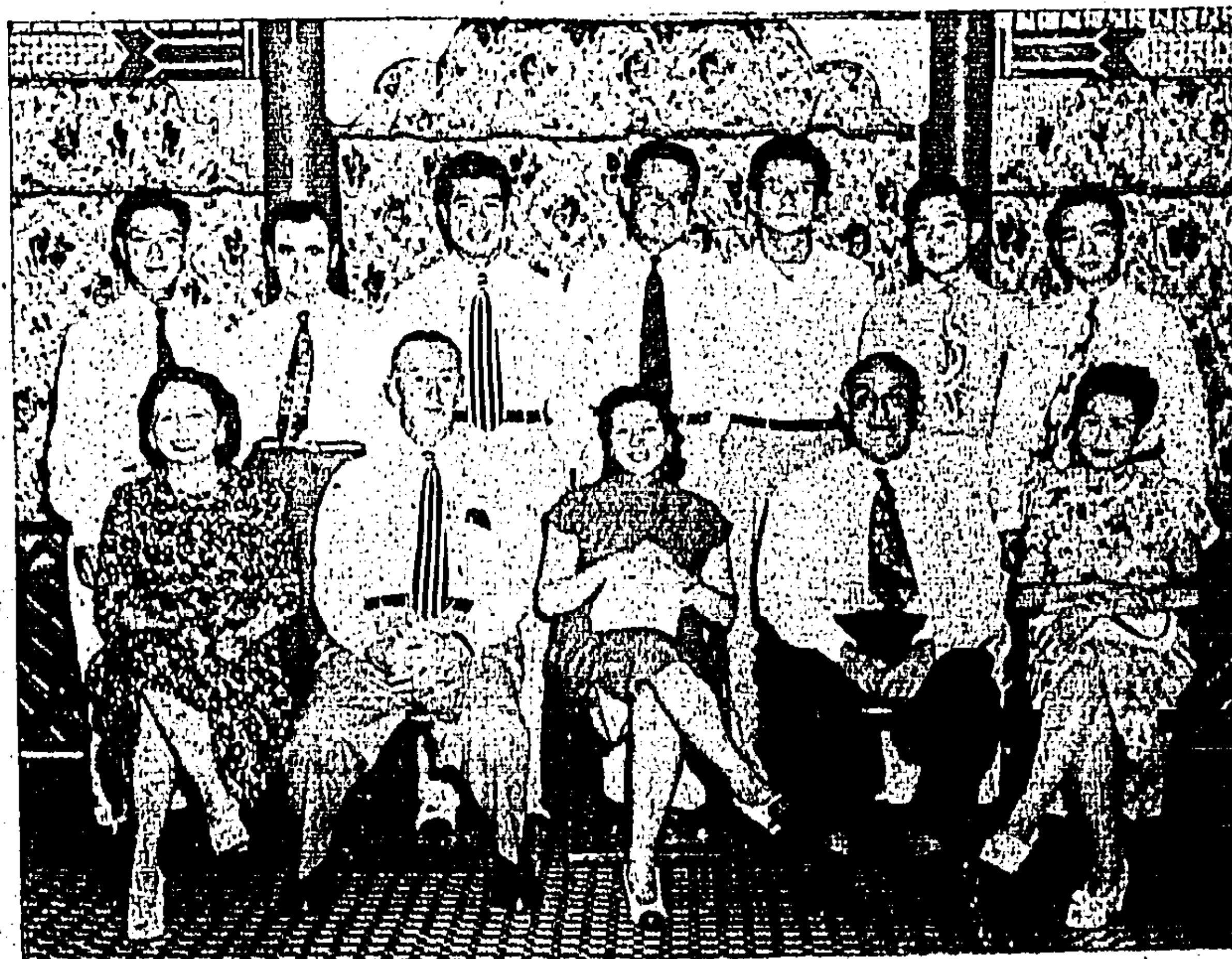


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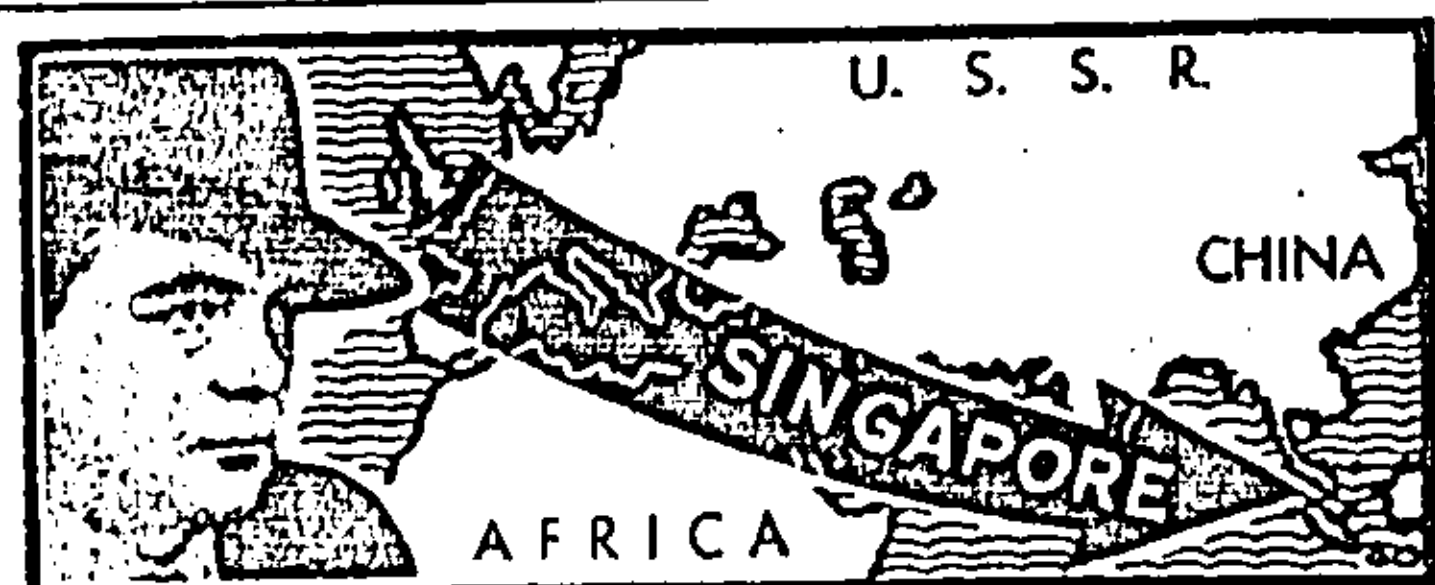
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# CAN WE WIN THIS GUERRILLA WAR?

**SINGAPORE.** Intelligence officer and myself the other day found 30 Yugoslav dinars, 100 Italian lire, and 60 French francs in a primitive bamboo hut. You might have judged from our excitement that we had struck treasure worth thousands of pounds.

But our "find" was worth less than ten shillings in cash. The excitement was due to the fact that the bamboo hut where we found the notes was in the thickest part of the Johore jungle.

Only a few hours before the hut had served as the secret base for a group of Chinese terrorists operating against British rubber planters as part of the Communist "Malayan Peoples' Anti-British Army."

The terrorists fled when one of their outposts, hidden high up in the leafy crown of a palm tree, reported the approach of a Gurkha patrol. And there we were now, rummaging among the things the terrorists had left behind.

There was a radio signalling set—the Gurkhas were busy smashing it—large-scale maps of Johore marked with arrows, maps of Malaya, maps of China and of Southeast Asia generally. The maps were printed in China.

There was food—much of it in tins. There was drink. I even discovered a French brandy bottle—empty. And there were two bird-cages. They were empty, too.

### THE ROUTE

A GURKHA picked up a notebook, into which someone had been copying useful English words and phrases in excellent copperplate.

As he turned the pages the banknotes fluttered out. The officer pounced on them. It was a pretty little collection.

In addition to the Yugoslav, French, and Italian notes, there was an Egyptian 25-piastre note, an Iraqi quarter-dinar, and an Indian rupee.

Each variety marked a stage in the long journey from Europe to the Far East—a journey which I have just completed myself, and from which I have got almost the same set of notes left over. Except for the Yugoslav dinars. And these are most exciting, for they link up the primitive bamboo hut in the Johore jungle, ten miles north of Kuala, with Belgrade.

Until the end of May this year, when Chinese bands launched their full-scale terror campaign against the British, Belgrade was still the headquarters of the Cominform organisation. Moscow's Number One weapon in the political war against the capitalist West.

There is plenty more to show that here in Malaya—and in the whole of Southeast Asia, for that matter—the same forces are operating as in Europe, and on the same carefully integrated plan.

### LIKE GREECE

WHEN I bumped over the potholed jungle road through rubber plantations and virgin forest, I thought of the potholed mountain roads of Greece I had been bumping over four months earlier. As in Greece, I was once more keeping a sharp look-out for snipers who might ambush us with Bren guns supplied by Britain during the war.

I passed through villages of Chinese rubber-tappers, plantation workers, and the men who have "squatted" illegally on a plot in a jungle clearing, or in a plantation, and are making a meagre livelihood from its cultivation.

Among these Chinese plantation workers and among the squatters—just as in Greece among the peasants—the Communists have organised an extensive and powerful underground.

This underground is most powerful in the jungle—it is almost exclusively Chinese, for the vast majority of Malays repudiate it, and support the anti-Communist Nationalist party.

But, as in Greece, the underground stretches its tentacles right into cities like Singapore.

Its power and influence rest partly on the devotion of a small nucleus of ambitious fanatics, partly on the share of the wealth promised to the have-nots, but mainly on intimidation and terrorism. For every British planter humped off by the terrorists five Chinese have been killed—and by no means only the wealthy ones.

As in Greece, these bands of hit-and-run killers are a most difficult target for those who must combat them.

### 7 GOOD SIGNS

NEVERTHELESS, I am fairly confident—please note that "fairly"—that Malaya can survive this without suffering the fate of Greece.

These are my reasons:—

1 COMMUNISTS entirely failed in their first attempt to stage a general strike in Singapore harbour last April and May. The ringleaders were arrested, and the Communist terror here has been broken.

2 TERRORISTS, as a consequence of the courage of the planters and mining engineers, have failed so far in their attack on the economic life of Malaya and have not succeeded in keeping labour away from the plantations and mines. Production of rubber has decreased by less than 4 per cent, as compared with pre-terror months, and is far above last year's production.

3 COMMUNISTS have failed so far to extend their influence beyond the Chinese.

4 BRITISH POLICE and military have not made the Greek mistake of trying to wage large-scale war against guerrillas with a vast military machine of tanks, armoured cars, and artillery.

They are treating it as a war of skill. Highly mobile Gurkha jungle fighters, assisted by Dyak trackers, are following the killers through the jungle from lair to lair.

5 SIAMESE Government on the northern border, unlike Albania, Bulgaria, and Yugoslavia, is trying to prevent arms and men being smuggled in.

6 EIGHTEEN THOUSAND full-time special constables and 7,000 part-time constables are being trained to protect even the most isolated plantations.

7 HOPEFUL sign is the support of the Malays for the anti-Communist campaign; 80 per cent of the volunteers are Malays.

### 3 BAD SIGNS

I SHOULD feel almost as complacent about the situation as some of the dangerously complacent officials here were it not for three further factors:—

THE IMPOSSIBILITY of dealing effectively with the Chinese squat-

ter population, except by shipping them back to China. This is impossible on a sufficient scale owing to lack of tonnage.

LUCK of facilities by police and military for the most up-to-date techniques of prisoner interrogation, most essential here. The lack also of signals equipment.

THE CIRCUMSTANCE that the situation in Malaya is bound to be affected by developments in neighbouring countries. If the Communists succeed in getting control, as seems possible, of French Indo-China, Burma, and Dutch Java, the situation in Malaya is bound to be affected.

Latest news from Java is that the Communists have seized power at Medan. This may be the signal for a general attempt to seize power throughout the country.

The authorities here should, therefore, seek to ensure that the Malays and friendly Chinese should have no ground for justified complaint against the British. A first essential is to prove that the colour bar to promotion in the Civil Service has been lifted.

As Britain steps up recruiting for defence—

## America sees the writing on the wall

NEW YORK.

AMERICA, accustomed to regard herself as the land of inexhaustible resources, today knows that as far as many vitally-needed commodities are concerned she could not fight another war alone.

The U.S.A. today is making efforts, patterned after those of Germany, Italy and Japan in the years before World War II, to buy for stock-piling immense quantities of the raw materials she must have.

Even in an election year the Government have embarked on a spending programme running into thousands of millions of dollars, a programme in which price matters less than prompt delivery of the goods.

### 67 BLIND SPOTS

FROM the National Munitions Board comes an official admission that no fewer than 67 vital raw materials are now scarce. Supplies of all these are being sought overseas.

The Munitions Board are co-operating in the search with the National Security Resources Board and the Economic Co-operation Administration (Marshall Plan), who now have a mission in Britain, France and Holland to seek manganese, chromium, lead, tin, copper and other materials from the colonial empires.

A first Marshall Plan dividend has just been paid to the U.S.A. In the announcement that 25,000 tons of high grade rubber has been secured from Britain and will shortly be arriving here.

Other materials listed here as essential to the country's security and which cannot be produced in sufficient quantity at home include bauxite, for aluminium, asbestos, tungsten, vanadium, nickel, cobalt, oil, and shellac.

VANADIUM: A silver white metallic element used in an alloy steel to increase tensile strength.

Scarcity of raw materials which America would need for war is alarming the experts, cables FREDERICK COOK.

The state of the nation's natural wealth falls into these major categories:

THE LAND, whose productive area is shrinking fast in the face of flood, storm, wind, and above all carelessness, while a rapidly increasing population makes greater demands on what is left.

OIL, which Americans continue to burn with prodigal waste in cars which are far bigger than reasonable needs demand, and in home furnaces which heat houses far beyond reasonable temperatures in winter. Vast sections of industry have converted to oil, so that the total monthly consumption has reached levels which frighten the experts.

THE FORESTS, which once covered huge expanses of the continent, have been reduced through rapacious cutting and through fire and blight. Experts predict that within ten years they can be written off as one of the country's great natural resources.

IRON ORE, once thought inexhaustible, is running short fast. In some areas it is already near exhaustion. New supplies, say the defence chiefs, must be found, or substitutes must be developed.

### VANISHING OIL

THE Senate Oil Investigating Committee have declared that the nation which provided 80 per cent of the oil used to fight World War II, could not fight another with its own resources alone. Yet domestic demands today far outstrip not only domestic supplies, but the total of domestic and foreign supplies added together. Still no move has been made to conserve what is left. No responsible statesman dare even whisper the word "rationing."

## IN AND OUT OF PARLIAMENT

By Ernest Thurtle, M.P.

LONDON.

INEVITABLY, Labour does not like the slowing down of demobilisation. This disappoints present hopes, goes back on past promises, and arouses fears for the future. Many members are already assuming that the present step will be followed at least by an increase in the compulsory training period to the 18 months originally proposed.

The Government are fully aware of the unpopularity of their action, but they really have no alternative. Their responsibility for taking necessary steps to safeguard the security of the country is absolute, and if they failed in this they would be wide open to attack.

NOW they must do the unpopular thing and justify it, as they are entitled to do, on the ground of grave national necessity.

But this in turn involves educating public opinion regarding the realities of the present international situation. This may not be possible without creating some alarm, but our people are not a panicking breed.

SPACE must be found for a brief tribute to Oliver Stanley's brilliant speech on the new session's opening day.

A continuous stream of sparkling quips, it kept the whole House highly amused. I doubt if I have heard a better effort at good-humoured parliamentary banter.

Whether such verbal virtuosity is a passport to Conservative leadership is not for a Labour observer to say but at least let it be said that it adds to the safety of Parliament.

AFTER the "Defence" bomb-shell a parliamentary Labour needed a tonic.

Great was our surprise, however, that the revival came from austere Chancellor Cripps. His factual review of the first half of the financial year elated Government supporters.

Here was achievement and promise, and no gloom. It was an intoxicating draught.

The extent of the relief and gratitude felt for these good tidings could be measured by the prolonged ovation given Sir Stafford.

FROM some other Ministers such optimism might have been received with reserve. But from the Chancellor it was taken without question, for nobody thinks he would descend to "shooting a line."

Not many politicians are rated so scrupulous. But he is. And therefore when he bids us be of good cheer it is a real foaming tankard of stimulant.

After this speech Sir Stafford's stock, already fairly high, had a sharp rise. The hums of members hummed with the tributes of his supporters.

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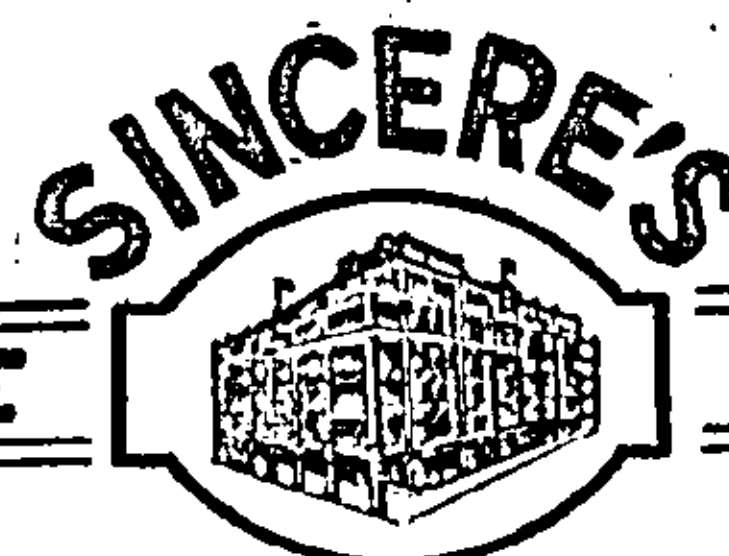
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## LEAGUE FOOTBALL

# Kitchee v. South China Should Draw Weekend's Biggest Crowd

BY "SEE TEE"

Early season trials of strength in the senior division of local soccer are expected this afternoon both at Boundary Street, Kowloon, and at Caroline Hill.

At the Police Ground, Kowloon Motor Buses meet a strong Army eleven, while an all-Chinese battle—Kitchee versus South China's "A" team—should draw the biggest crowds of the week-end.

Other First Division matches today are at Causeway Bay where the Navy play the Police and at the Club Ground where St Joseph's are the visitors.

The new football season opened last Saturday in a blaze of sunshine. Football was a warm, strenuous business. On Sunday, however, rough weather prevented players and crowds assembling in the open air.

At half past five on Sunday afternoon—the scheduled time for senior matches to commence—both Caroline Hill and Sookunpoo presented almost ideal football conditions. There had been just enough rain to soften the ground, while the wind blew only in occasional and not over-strong gusts.

As I walked across the playing pitch at Caroline Hill I was very much struck with how similar were conditions to a blustery autumn afternoon at home. Compared with the hot sunshine of the day before, it was almost ideal for football.

The trouble on Sunday, of course, was that South China's opponents at Caroline Hill (the Police) were faced with the possible suspension of the ferry service to and from Kowloon, while both the Navy and the RAF were "closed up" at such weather stations.

## CREDITABLE EFFORT

The quick re-arrangement of the Navy-RAF match on Wednesday was a creditable effort. Wednesday's game at Sookunpoo was as bright and sporting an occasion as are most of these inter-service matches.

The sailors' narrow victory on Wednesday only goes part way to offset the army's 8-1 and 1-0 victories of last season.

The Police will visit the Navy at Causeway Bay this afternoon with memories of a 6-0 defeat at the hands of the Navy in March. This should be a keen, bright struggle with the possibility of a draw as the result.

One of the advantages of Wednesday's Navy-RAF match was that it gave the Services selectors a chance to see general form. The Services team to meet the Chinese in the Victoria Shield match next Thursday "was chosen immediately after Wednesday's match."

Although the Army's 4-2 victory over Kwong Wah looks comfortable enough on paper, it will not satisfy many of the service's supporters. A tactical blunder in the attack and a steady in the middle line are matters to which the selectors will be giving thought.

Even though there was a lot of rousing shooting on Saturday, particularly in the second half, the plain truth is that the soldiers' attack was slow and tedious in using the ball. Against a quick-tackling defence—of the type they will be meeting this afternoon—many fewer shots would have been released.

Although Kwong Wah showed many flashes of brilliance they were only flashes. They are far from knit together as a team. Nevertheless, they got two goals, the second one being one of the best of the season.

With a predominance of Royal Artillery men in the team again for today's match in Kowloon, Army should be sure both of a lot of support in the crowd and, which may be more important, of the services of several players with experience of local football.

It was only in March that a Royal Artillery team held the Bussmen to a 3-3 draw at Boundary Street. This afternoon's meeting of the Army and KMB should throw some light on the comparative qualities of Chinese and Service teams.

## REAL TEST TODAY

Although due notice must be taken of Kitchee's victory last Saturday, the real test of the reigning champions will be their game with the South China's "A" team today.

This may prove one of the most popular games of the week-end, featuring as it does so many local Chinese stars. Although South China's teams are somewhat different from last season, it is interesting to recall the results of their two league meetings.

South China were beaten 1-5 in the first meeting with Kitchee last season, but enjoyed jubilant vengeance at Christmas when they swung a 1-2 deficit round to a 3-2 victory in a dramatic second half rally.

Delighted South China supporters "chained" their favourites from the field at the end of the match.

The Club and the Saints were honours even on last season's balance sheet. A 3-1 victory for St Joseph's in October was countered when the Club won 5-1 in the New Year.

## SEE TEE'S SERIES

## THE LAWS OF ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

### 14.—MORE OFFSIDE POINTS

A player cannot be offside from a throw-in from touch, a corner-kick or goal-kick but that protection ceases immediately the ball is played by another player.

The fact that a player is in an offside position (but taking good care not to interfere with the play) should not blind defenders to the fact that any question of offside ceases immediately the ball is played by one of them.

The Referees' Guide and Players' Guide to the Laws of the Game contains plenty of illuminating advice for players, as well as Referees and Linesmen.

One particular point is well worth mentioning. In advising players the book reads: "If you are in an offside position, you cannot put yourself onside."

The best possible thing a player can do should be that he is offside is to stand perfectly still, if he should be impeding the goalkeeper's view of the play he should move away in the direction of one of the touch-lines. Above all he should not in any way suggest that he is trying to benefit from being offside.

A player, who is offside, and continues to move forward while one of his teammates dribbles the ball goalwards, is almost bound to be penalised for exploiting his offside position.

It has often happened that the player with the ball may be about to work himself into a good shooting position, only to see all his efforts wasted by a fellow forward who is blatantly offside.

From this it will be clear that it is not necessary for a Referee to wait for a player to part with the ball before penalising a team-mate who is offside.

Who is who? What matters is who last played the ball, even if the same player has played it several times, by dribbling it or by heading it two or three times in quick succession.

If, at any time during a player's offside dribble, one of his opponents' side is nearer to his opponents' goal-line and has not two opponents between him and the goal-line, the man who is offside may be penalised.

It is up to the Referee. If he considers that the offside player is interfering with the play, by moving or behaving in such a way as to affect a defender's tactics, he may penalise him.

## POINTS TO CONSIDER

There are two things which the Referee must consider in dealing with a goal-keeper who offers the ball to an opponent in order that he shall try to kick it out of his hands. (Remember, it has long been the law that it is not permissible for a player to attempt to kick the ball while the goal-keeper is holding it.)

The referee may firstly consider that the keeper is deliberately inclining an opponent to play in a manner which is dangerous.

If the Referee is of this opinion (and he will be sure of it first) he would be quite right in ruling that the goal-keeper is guilty of ungentlemanly conduct.

Above all it is the duty of the Referee to enforce the Laws: if he sees a player trying to make an opponent break these Laws he should do something about it.

If the Referee were not satisfied that the goal-keeper was inclining his opponent to kick at the ball, and he allowed the goal-keeper to be charged while he still held it, he would take care (1) that the charges were fairly delivered and (2) penalise the goal-keeper when he exceeded his ration of four paces when carrying the ball.

## THIS WEEK'S POSER

A shot is fired at goal and the goalkeeper punches the ball high into the air. He runs forward about ten yards and catches the ball before it falls to the ground and before any other player has touched it. Is this in order?

Before this weekly series of articles on soccer law is wound up, readers are invited to send their

own questions for discussion in this column. Write to "See Tee", Hongkong Telegraph, Wyndham Street.

## The Blind Referee

By JERRY McNERNEY

Most umpires and referees resent a remark to the effect that they're blind as bats. But not Cleveland's Charles (Chuck) Medick.

Chuck knows the fans are right in his case. He is blind. He's probably the only admitted blind referee in the business—but it isn't a business with him. It's a pleasure.

He's a table tennis referee, and the only way he can enjoy a match is by refereeing it. He has to be close to the table to know what's going on.

Chuck calls matches by ear. Even in the closest contests, he never makes a mistake.

Chuck sits there—right up by the net—following with his ears, just as seeing people do with their eyes, the progress of each match.

Often, after particularly brilliant recoveries, Chuck looks up and exclaims:

"That was a beauty."

"Or, 'I didn't think you could get to that one.'"

Chuck's accurate calling of one particular shot in a recent tournament, prompted a question from a nearby spectator.

## AURICULAR NICETY

The ball had hit the top of the net, and had barely landed on the other side. Knowing that Chuck depended on his ears to decide who won the point, he was asked how he knew the ball hadn't hit the bottom of the net and dropped straight down for a fault.

"Why, if I couldn't call that one, I'd have no business sitting out here," Chuck said. "That happens many times in tournaments. It's an easy shot to call. The net at the top is much lighter and the ball hitting it has an altogether different sound than when it strikes the bottom."

These different sounds enable him to "see" the matches. He can tell when a player chops or slices the ball, puts top spin on it, or hits it with a flat drive. And the distance from which the sound comes tells him how deep the shot was.

Chuck is a 25-year-old graduate student at Western Reserve University. He lost his sight as a result of an explosion when he was six months old.

He works so competently you'd think he had been refereeing table tennis matches all his life. Actually, he has been at it only one year. In that time he has called more than 1,000 tournament matches.

Chuck said he was forced into refereeing: "All my friends took up table tennis and if I wanted to enjoy their fun I had to sit as close as I could to the table. And you can't get any closer than a referee."

He called the final in the National Championships at Chicago last year, "but I don't think that's much to write about," he protests.

When Chuck referees a tournament, the cars have all from the Louisville Courier-Journal.

## FASTEST HUMAN?



Though Mel Patton didn't win the Olympic 100 metres dash, he did win the 200 metres. He still deserves the title of "Fastest Human" for the furlong is a faster race than the century.

In the short sprints, the good starter holds a distinct advantage. The incomparable Jesse Owens proved this by running the 100 yards, off a flying start of 20 yards, in 8.4 seconds, a whole second faster than the world record from a crouching start.

## SOFTBALL CHATTER

By "SPECTATOR"

## SOFTBALL SEASON OPENS TOMORROW AFTERNOON

Let's go out to the ball game! Tomorrow is the opening of the official season. Mr. J. E. McKenna, United States Consul-General, starts the ball rolling by tossing the first ball in the first league match. Manager-shortstop Bob McGowan's American Club are to clash with Bill Woo's Canadians at 2.30 p.m.

All roads lead to the Central British Association ground, King's Park, where, preceding the game, a ceremony has been arranged to give the League a rousing send-off. Registered players, men and women, will turn out in force in the uniforms of their respective clubs.

Special guests have been invited to grace the function. Promptly, as is expected, the players will line up in appropriate groups in march-formation under the direction of the Hon. Secretary, Tony Ribeiro.

Music comes in for its share in this miniature softball "pageantry." A band, led by Filipino Headman Fred Dista, heads the "march past" of softballers.

A pretty good deal of "sweet and labour" has been put in for the ball game. But it is ironical that softball, well liked by not a few, is left wanting for lack of a playground which answers to near all-round requirements.

The C.B.A. authorities have been most accommodating to have permitted the use of their ground.

They should be thanked for their generous consent. However, difficulties regarding venues have yet to be faced by the hard-working management. It does not do justice to the game to deny it.

That where it is played you cannot find a spot to follow it enjoyably.

The spectator's point of view may often be critical but his presence is important because, as it has been aptly said, "Spectators make the game every time." Indeed, the haunting cry since the reoccupation has been for a ground with a stand to accommodate the rosters.

The Association is well aware of it. In a message at the close of last season, the President, the same Doc Molten, spoke out:

"Softball is more of a spectator sport than any other game, and to satisfy these enthusiasts to whom we owe the popularity of the game, it is essential that the standard of play be improved. In a nutshell, the primary object of the Association is to encourage a better brand of play and to provide fans with suitable accommodation."

"In order to achieve our object, we realize that it is necessary for the Association to have its own playing field on which a grandstand can be erected. Several venues in this direction are being explored, but we also need the assistance of everyone interested in this grand sport, for no one will help these who do not help themselves. Players who do not help us help a great deal of propaganda of the right sort and, judging from the support given at recent games, when the time comes for financial aid, I am sure we will not be let down."

You've got something there, Doc! Lots of luck for the success you and your co-workers deserve!

## SCALPING BEGINS!

Are the Americans going to scalp the Canadians? The latter are a strong squad, but Uncle Sam's boys could be awfully tough, so who knows! The American Club is a brand new contingent, therefore it is not possible to anticipate the Clubbers' strength.

The grapevine has it they pack tons of dynamite in their big bats. Then the underground says they are at the moment somewhat rusty. In any case, it is expected, they are a colourful gang.

Big Chief McGowan leads these Americans: Andy Anderson, F. X. Cleary, Jimmie Nelson, George Gallon, Bob Porter, Mike Malone, Frankie Wallace, Bill McCane, Harry Ayres, Hal Wilbur and Fred Rodgers. Interest will follow harrier Bob Porter, for it's a long time since the scented isle has seen a snook-shooter. It's not Bob's fault, of course, if he is not the guy we are looking for!

The Canadians are pretty hot. Stalwarts who did well in the last season, are still with them. Two new acquisitions who should bolster Bill Woo's Canadian power are Gus Oliver, well known to local baseballers as a player of standard, and Tiger Hussain, the sensational youngster who lent to advantage his reliable bat and glove to India's

## SWIMMING

## COLONY CHAMPIONSHIPS CONCLUDE TONIGHT

This year's Colony Swimming Championships, which have so far resulted in 11 records broken and two new ones set for newly-introduced distances, will be concluded tonight at the Victoria Recreation Club.

It has been a terrific year for local swimming and well justifies the goal that has been set—the British Empire Games at Auckland in 1950.

Considerable interest will be centred tonight on the two 50 yards freestyle races between this trio and the record has every chance of falling.

Lykke Rose, who has already won four of the women's open titles, getting three Colony records in the process, should win a fifth in the 100 Yards Back Stroke. As she will be up against one of the joint record-holders, Shauna Anderson, the chance of this record hot going is very small.

Leung Oi-mul's record of 0.5 minutes in the Women's 440 Yards Free Style should also totter with the record-holder herself in the race with all-star talent like Lykke Rose, Heather Anderson, John Eager and Wong Yuen-jing to chase her.

This heat time of 25.2 seconds is far off his record effort of 24.4 seconds last year but the competition is more formidable. Sunny Monteiro and Lau Tai-ping should provide the closest challenge, but neither of the other two, Gerry Roza-Pereira and Cheong Wal-lam is too far behind.

Another record in danger is the 50 seconds flat effort for the 100 Yards Breast Stroke set by Ng Nin of Chung Sing in 1940. Lau Tai-ping, the Lau Tai team star, named in a 7.4 effort in his heat, with Gerry Roza-Pereira returning 71.6, Chan Chiu-cheung, of Chinese YMCA, is

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## Colony's Swimming Champions

With six events still undecided, here are the Colony Champions, so far, for 1948:

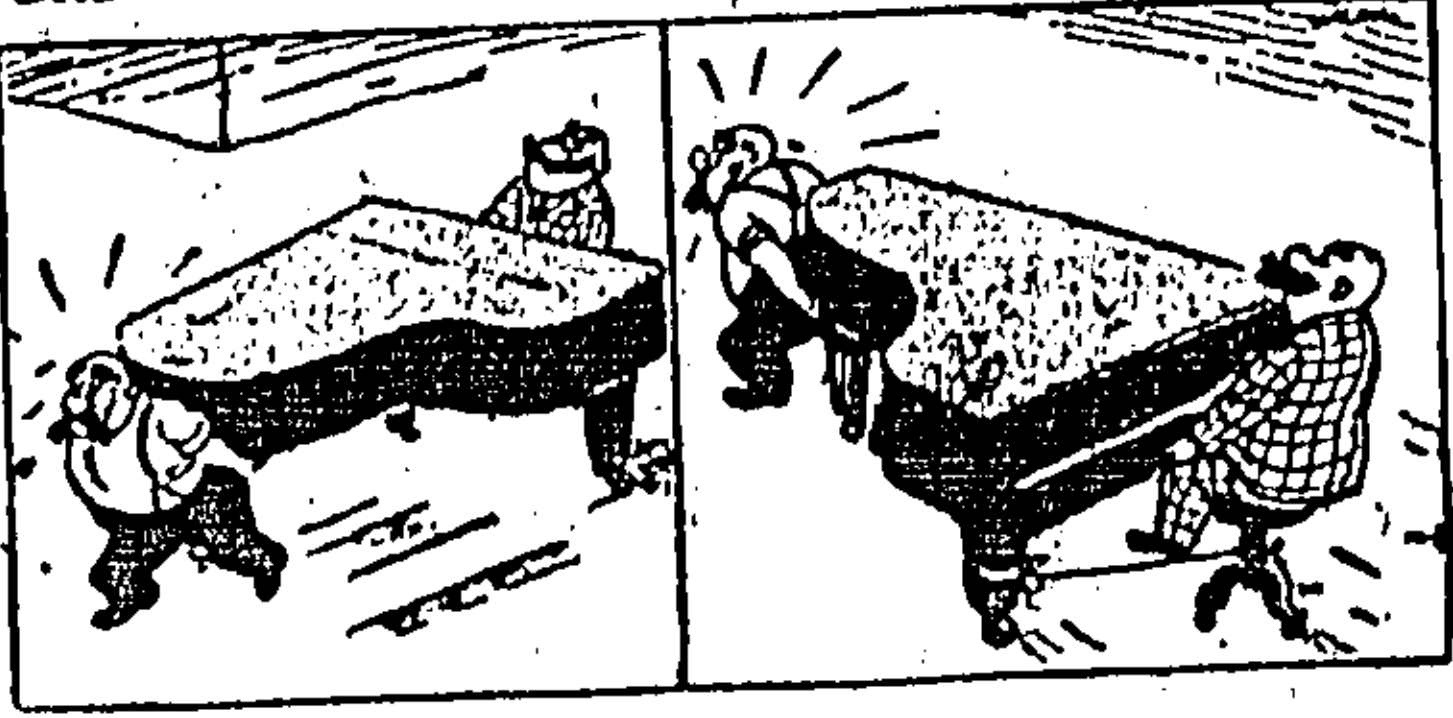
## MEN'S EVENTS

EVENT	WINNER	TIME
100 Yards Free Style	F. Monteiro (VRC)	57.0
220 Yards Free Style	Lau Tai-ping (Lai Tsun)	2:27.2
440 Yards Free Style	Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun)	5:20.0
880 Yards Free Style	Chan Chun-nam (Lai Tsun)	11:14.0
100 Yards Back Stroke	A. V. Lopes (VRC)	1:52.8
150 Yards Back Stroke	A. V. Lopes (VRC)	2:41.8
200 Yards Breast Stroke	Willard Lawrence (VRC)	1:46.0
150 Yards Medley	Lionel Roza-Pereira (VRC)	2:14.0
200 Yards Free Style Relay	Victoria Recreation Club	1:42.2
400 Yards Free Style Relay	Victoria Recreation Club	3:55.6



DAB and FLOUNDER

By WALTER



## Margaret Lane On Books

## 3 MEAT MEALS FOR THE SLAVEY

ATTIC AND AREA. Francesca Marton (Hamish Hamilton, 10s. 6d. 422 pages).

THE domestic servant, as she becomes extinct, is beginning a fresh career as a creature of legend. She is suddenly romantic, a new heroine novel. Late in the day (but it could happen only posthumously in her case) she is clearly in for a spell of literary glory.

It is easy to see what has fascinated Miss Francesca Marton to the pitch of writing about a Victorian slavey. In Attic and Area (excellent title!) she has inspired a passion for mid-nineteenth century domestic detail which must have haunted her since infancy. She is not interested in the tedious life of our own time, having no taste for far-ends and decadence; no, she is drawn to the rich scene of domestic service in its prime, which is little more than a hundred years ago, the period of Mrs Beeton.

It is not only the Victorian maid-servant that fascinates her. It is every detail of domestic life in that superlatively domestic period. It is the meals (three meat meals a day for the servants, with giblet soup, a pair of roast ducks, a dish of steaks in gravy and a gooseberry pie with cream going upstairs) the big coal fires, the starched caps and aprons, the serving clerks, the knowing one's place, the dread of being turned off without a character.

Decey, the maid-servant, heroine of this novel which is not really a novel but a trifle lovingly concocted out of numerous ingredients from the author's imaginative store-cupboard, is nothing but an excuse, a plump clothes-horse on which to hang Miss Marton's enthralled preoccupation with the mid-nineteenth century.

That preoccupation has been deepened, I am sure, by much browsing about among old cookery books, especially those hand-written family volumes which, occasionally find their way into a second-hand book-shop. Dish after dish, meal after meal being visualised, almost tasted, as she reads (like

a symphony in the mind of someone able to enjoy reading a musical score in silence) I can imagine Miss Marton springing to her feet with an inspired air and crying: "There is a novel to be made out of this!"

AND indeed there is, though perhaps Attic and Area is not the one, or at least not the only one, in which the obsessed feeling about something, without which no good novel is ever written, just the feeling is all for fascinating bits of period detail, and I have a suspicion that this is not enough.

Not quite enough for a good novel; but it makes a pleasant diversion, and leaves one dreaming about the London that inspired Dickens, brought the basement kitchen to perfection and saw the golden age of the cookery book. If for nothing else, I should commend Miss Marton's book for its glorious meals.

ANOTHER DAY, ANOTHER DOLLAR. John T. Winterich (Benn, 9s. 6d. 203 pages).

WORKING one's way through college is an American institution. The wage-earning habit prevails, too, among boys of school age, and in families far from poor. It is a fitting preparation for life in a country where the prime function of the male is to make money.

Mr John Winterich was a respectable, street-playing little boy in Providence, Rhode Island, in the early years of this century. In a recent war he was absorbed by the American army, and asked to give an account on a printed form of all the paid employment he had ever had. This set him off on writing his own economic history, beginning as odd-job boy in a grocery store and ending up as trolley-car conductor when he was more than half-way through college.

It is a good idea, and presents a curious and illuminating cross-section of an American life, checked with experience as door-to-door salesman, poultryer's assistant, gas-meter man, and trolley-car conductor. But it is also a slight idea, hardly robust enough to support a whole book, and the author has had to pad it with the soft stuff of reminiscence and personal charm.

## Expert says 'Health plan will fail'

NEW YORK. "SOCIALIZED medicine in Britain will collapse within five years," That is the opinion of Dr Lester Carson Spier, chairman of America's National Council in Group Practices, who has just returned from England!

Dr Spier has been in Britain studying the Government's health scheme. He saw Health Minister Aneurin Bevan.

"Britain hasn't the money for socialized medicine," Dr Spier told me. "Even America couldn't find enough."

"The standard of British medicine is nowhere near as good as it should be. And instead of spending money

from Evelyn WEBBER

on research for improvement the British Government are subsidizing poor and inadequate medical care. The average American wouldn't stand for the result. Britons must. I went to Britain to find out the truth," Dr Spier said. "I saw that soon the lack of opportunity, and restrictions upon earnings under socialism, will react severely upon the type of men entering medicine—then on the medicine itself. There is a drop in the level already. Limitations imposed through Socialisation remove all the incentive. Doctors are human. How can you expect the best type?"

"Under your scheme Britain's doctors soon won't be distinguishable from any other Civil Servants."

## NEW RECORDS

MANY of the worthwhile new records have been made by women, and you will do well to hear Harriet Cohen playing Debussy's La Cathédrale Anglaise, and Claire de Lune. Miss Cohen gives a polished performance (Columbia DX 1496).

Maggie Teyte, with admirable accompaniment from Gerald Moore sings Debussy's Green, and L'Invitation au Voyage (HMV DA 1893).

Cesce by Faure (Gill record). To the accompaniment of an orchestra conducted by Rinaldo Zamboni, he sings Segre's, by Tosti and Nostalgia d'Amore, by Cittaadini. He shows that he can still hold his own with any other tenor in the world (HMV DB 6705).

There are two records in lighter vein which are disappointing, but because they are made by popular recording figures they deserve attention. The first is from Mort Gould and his Orchestra, playing Night and Day and Beyond the Blue Horizon. Both these delightful tunes are given a most elaborate orchestration and played by a band of considerable size, but the results sound like a not very intelligent jumble (Columbia DX 1497).

Tony Martin, with the Skyrokers Orchestra, directed by Woolf Phillips, has the benefit of first-rate British recording, and one had hoped that he would have been allowed to sing some songs everyone wanted to hear. In Tenement Symphony, both he and the orchestra do all they can with something that is as confused as Mort Gould's version of Night and Day (HMV B9609).

I commend the smooth, stylish singing of Maxie Sullivan, who presents How Do I Know It's Real? and Beside the River Clyde in a delightfully effortless manner (Brunswick 63914).

ROBERT TREDINNICK

## £10-A-WEEK GIRL

AT 42 Dr Spier is senior director of the Committee of Public Relations for New York County Medical Society, and a visiting surgeon at New York's big Bellevue Hospital. He also runs his own group practice. Called the "Carson Group," it is one of many thousands here.

"They are private practices in which all the medical specialists are under one roof," he said. "I have seven associates, each a specialist in his field. Patients don't have to travel from one doctor to another when special diagnosis or treatment are necessary."

"Groups share the rent, the one receptionist, and clerical expenses. We keep one girl to fill in the forms. Her salary is £10 a week. The cost to the British Government, with its triplicate documents and thousands of clerks, must be tremendous."

"Our groups are formed to reduce costs to everyone," said Dr Spier. "The patient benefits the most."

## WHAT THEY PAY

RECENT surveys of his Carson Group have shown that over a five-year period, five thousand people treated by it paid less than £25 each for surgery, obstetric care, gynaecology, laboratory fees, and X-ray treatments.

"That's our idea of good, communal medicine," Dr Spier comments.

Seven assistants work in the Carson Group, besides the specialist. Each assistant serves a three months' apprenticeship at £125 a month.

If he qualifies he gets a year's contract, with option. He continues his studies while with the Group. And when he becomes a certificated member of the Board of Surgeons in his field he may join the Group as a full-fledged doctor, or start his own practice.

Dr Spier also applauds New York's Associated Hospital Service or "Blue Cross" plan, a voluntary organisation to which 3,200,000 people contribute £2 10s each a year, getting medical treatment free when they need it.

"It is privately run," said the doctor. "And you needn't join if you don't believe in it. There's no need for the Government to enter into things like this."

"When I was in England I saw signs of the development of a lively black market in physicians and medicines under Socialism. And at least a preferential treatment given by some doctors to richer patients who could afford to pay extra."

"We charge our patients only what they can afford," he said. "And, like Britain, we have social services for outpatients in our hospitals. That's for the very poor."

"When I was in England I saw that under the Health Scheme many people, having paid their contributions, won't go to a private doctor now, even if they can afford it. They swamped the outpatients' department—so they have a perfect right. But there are not facilities for handling two or three hundred outpatients per doctor daily, instead of the usual twenty or thirty."

"Socialized medicine is not new, and not good, as I saw it there. It is a delusion, dragging down the poor—instead of raising the poor—by bettering the treatment. Your 'panel' system was good. It benefited the people who needed it."

## BEVAN LAUGHED

DR SPIER found general conditions in Britain appalling.

"Don't spend two hundred and fifty million pounds a year socialising medicine," he said. "Spend it on better housing, and better living through more production and more wages. You wouldn't need any ambitious political schemes then."

"Health schemes which come from the people's pockets in high taxation and compulsory subscriptions defeat their purpose. They're no use if you must first reduce people's ability to buy adequate food, and shelter."

I asked Dr Spier if he had told Mr Bevan all this when he met the Minister in London. "Yes," he said. "But he's a jolly fellow. He just laughed."



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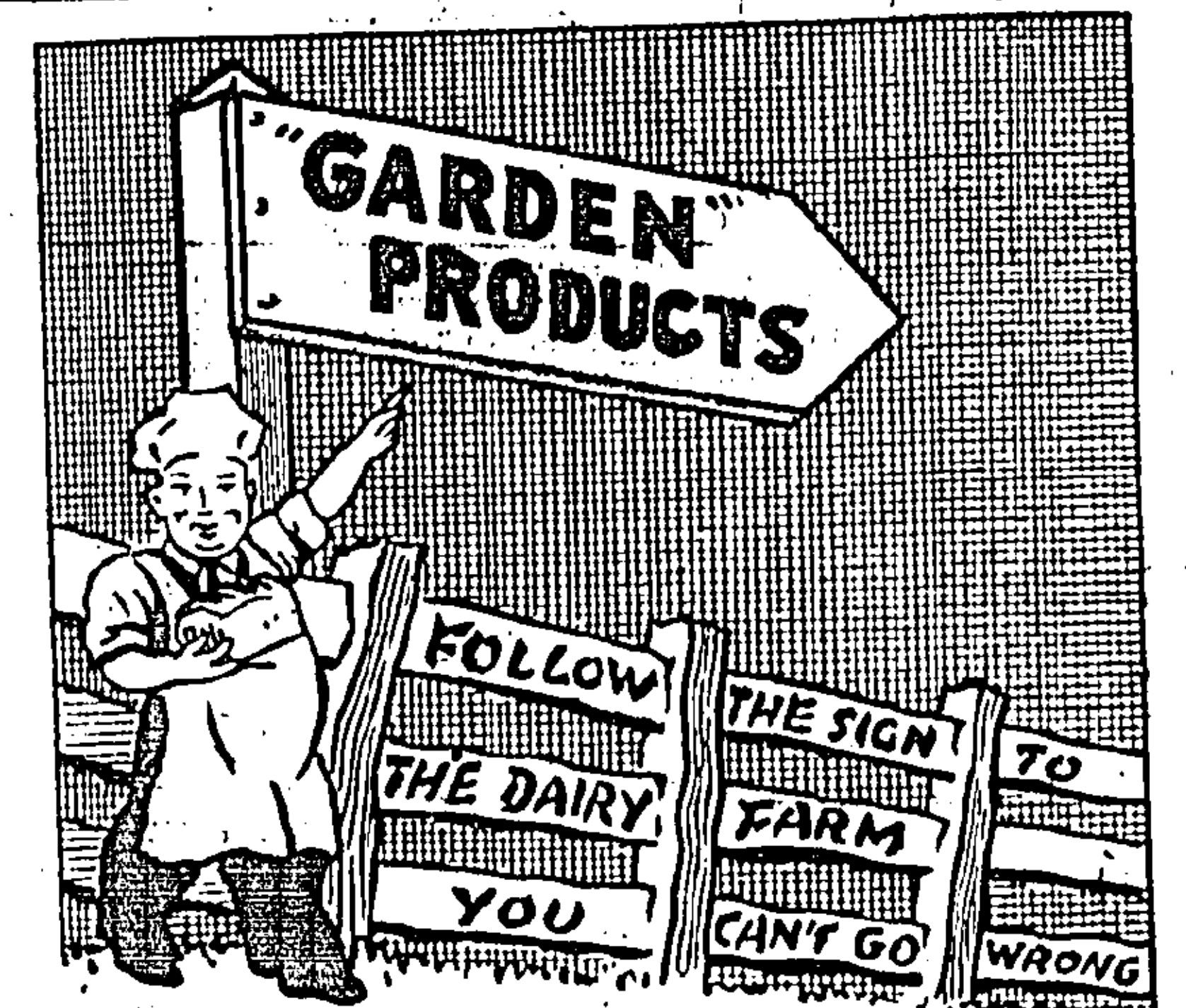
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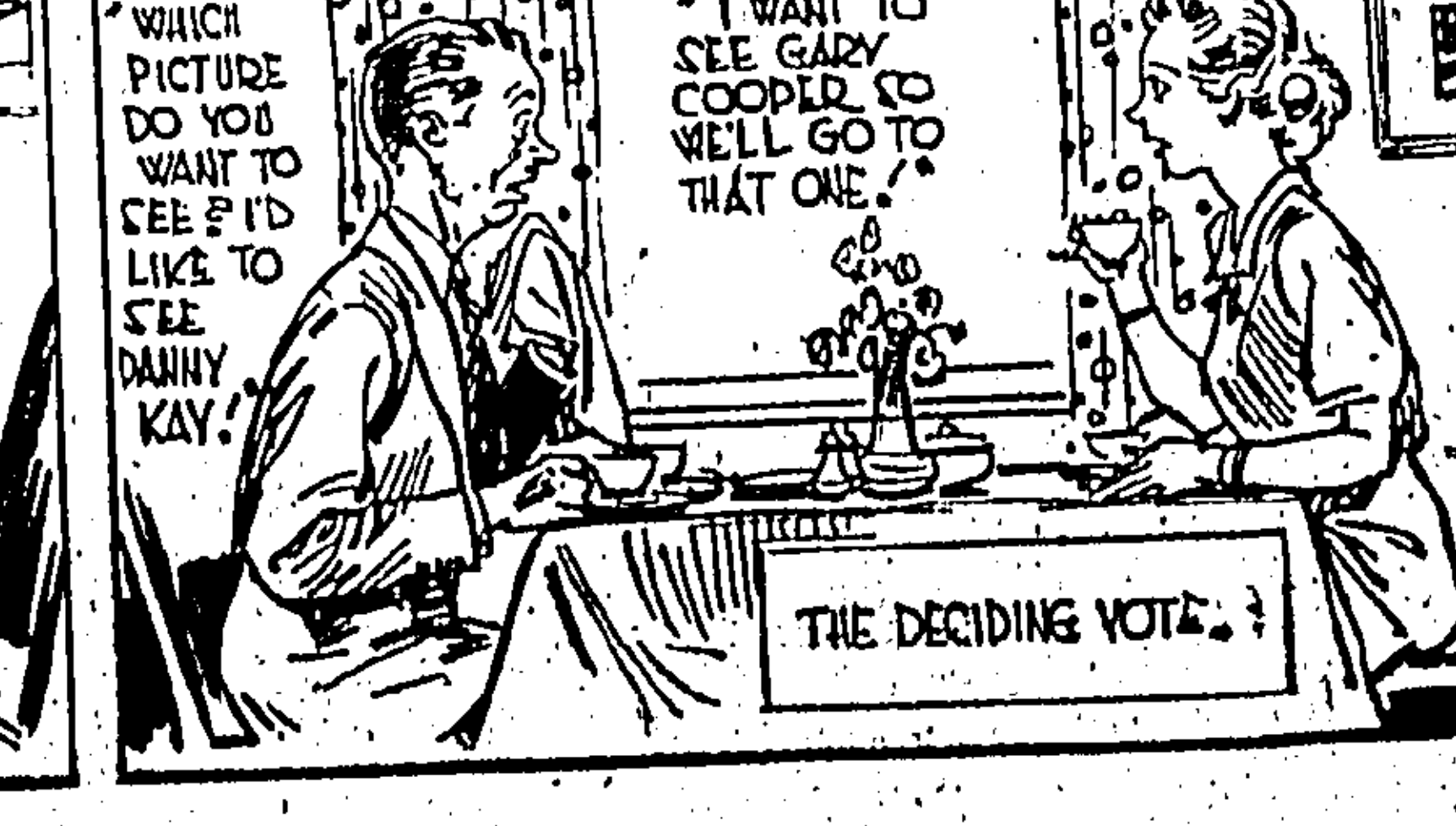
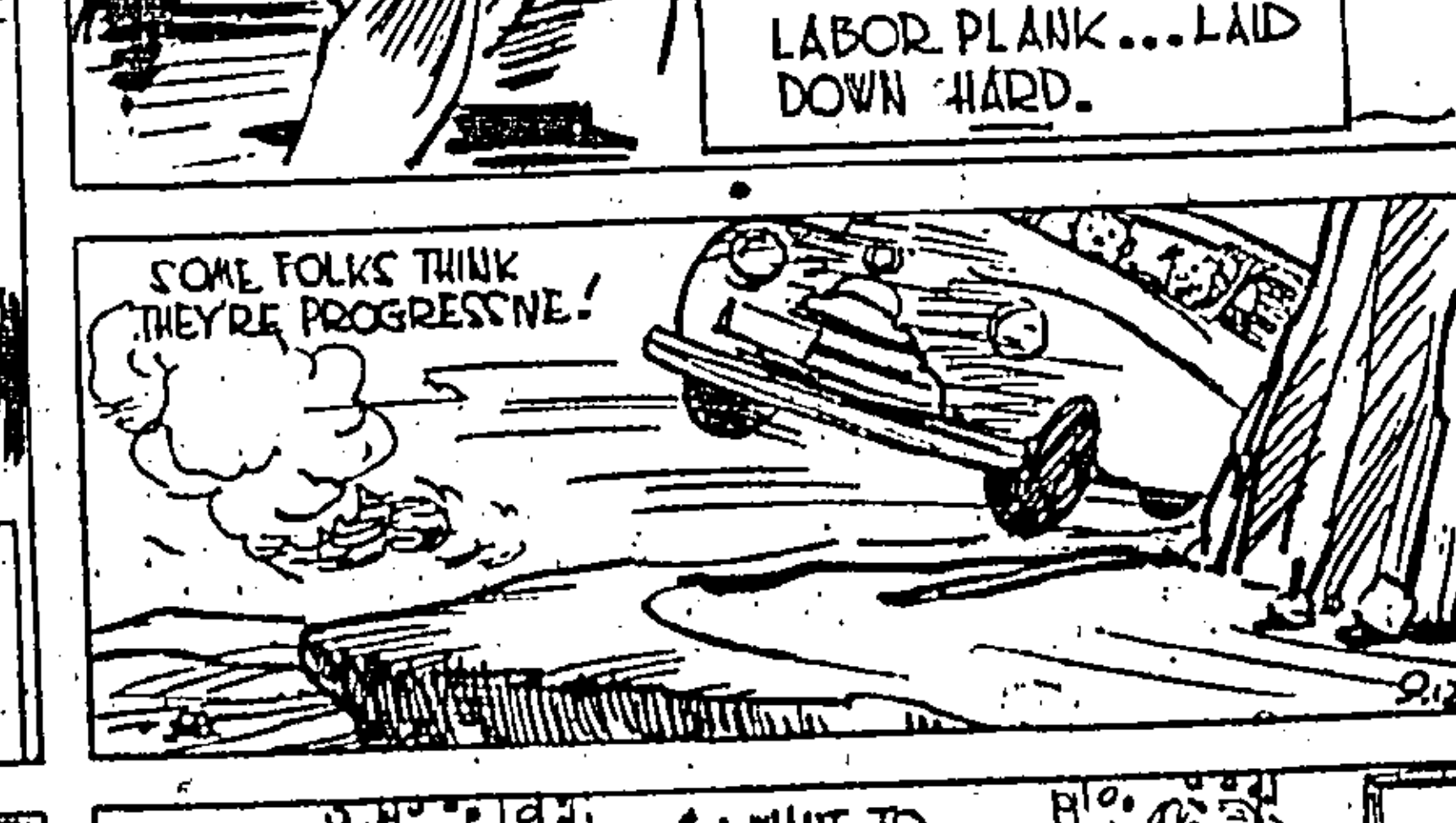
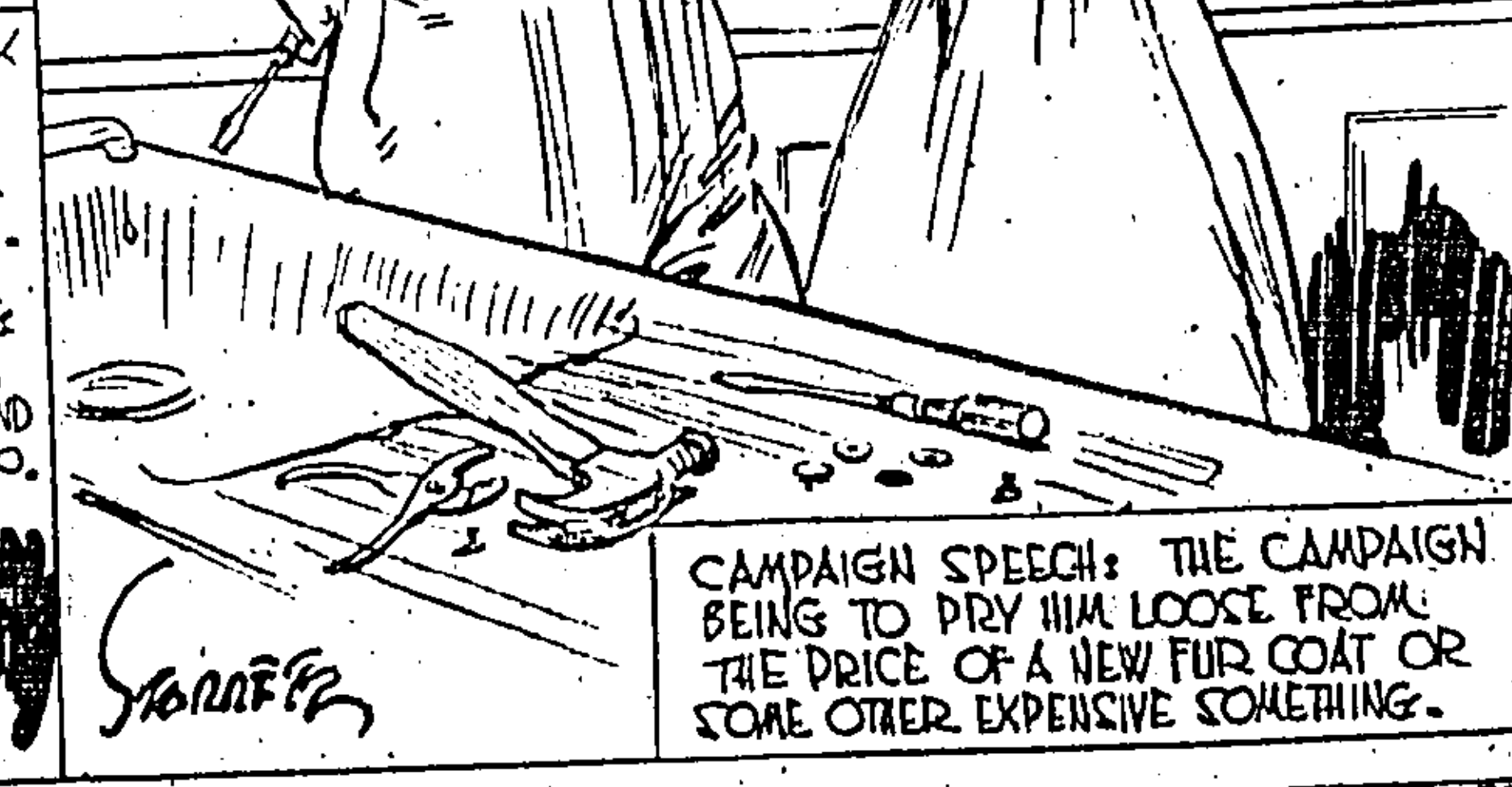
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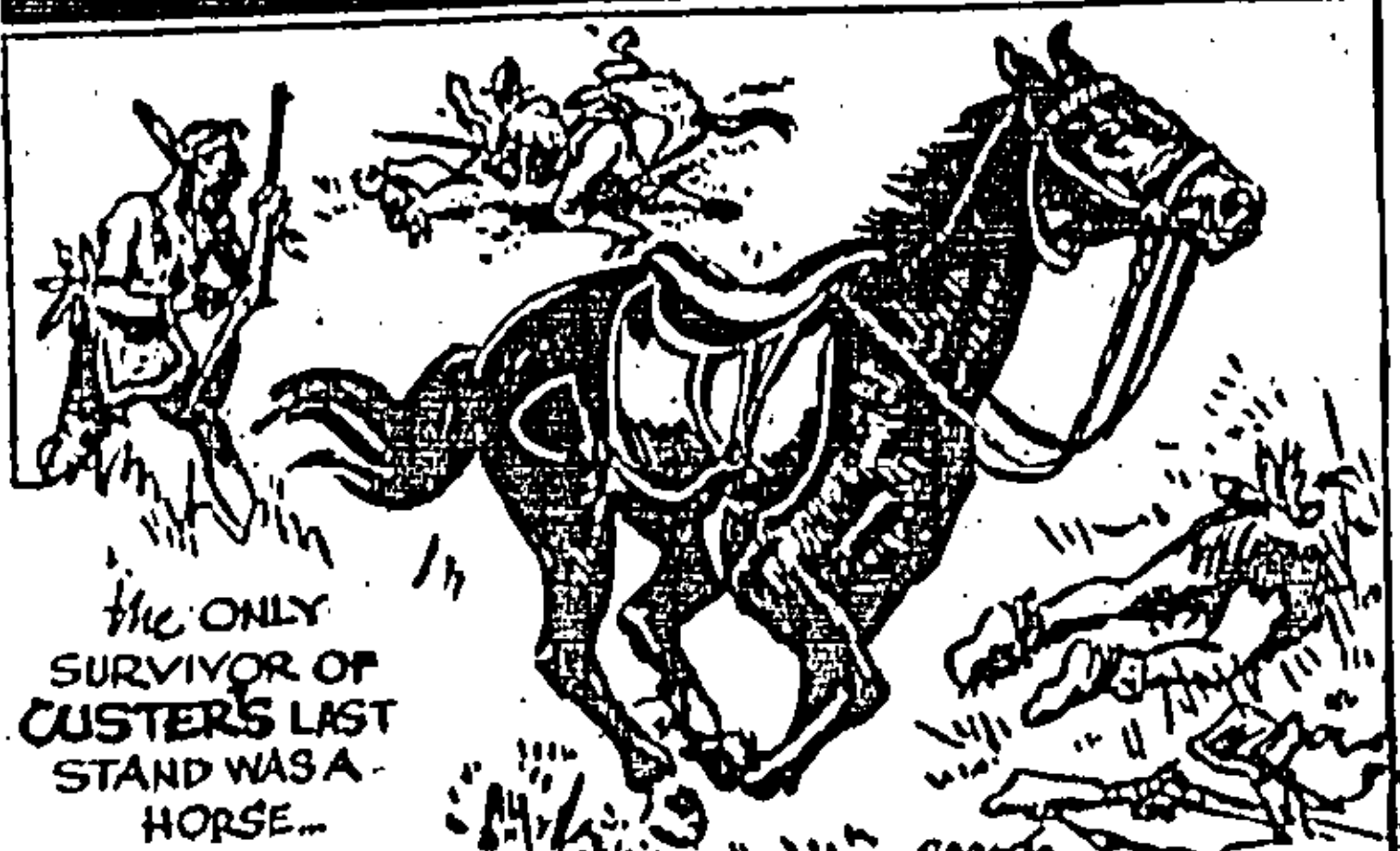
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## ZOO'S WHO



THE ONLY SURVIVOR OF CUSTER'S LAST STAND WAS A HORSE.



WILD MONKEYS ARE FOUND AT GIBRALTAR AND IN OTHER PLACES ON THE EUROPEAN CONTINENT.



THE ARCTIC TEROPS IS BELIEVED TO BE THE WORLD CHAMPION BIRD TRAVELER. IT MIGRATES FROM THE ARCTIC REGIONS TO THE ANTARCTIC, A DISTANCE OF 10,000 MILES, EACH FALL, AND BACK AGAIN EACH SPRING.

## Korean Children Always Smile

If you don't like school or housework and can't wait for the day when you'll have a job of your own, Korea is just the place for you. In this Oriental country, neither school nor housework has a great part in the life of the average child. But if you want a job, whether you are six or 16, you can get one. However, it's not as rosy as it looks.

Korea's child does not stay away from school by choice. He can't afford to attend. Schools are not free in Korea. Primary school education costs about 400 yen a week, in a country where men labour long hours for about 100 yen per day—and apples cost 40 yen apiece!

There isn't much housework in a Korean home. There are no beds to make. Koreans sleep on thick mats which are spread on the floor each night. Meals are simple, and that means few dishes. No one wears shoes inside, so no dirt or mud comes in. Besides, families are large, and with

By IDA M. PARDUE

Mrs. Pardue is the wife of a U.S. Army captain and she has been living in Korea. She gives first-hand information in this article about Korean boys and girls.

Many doing a part, there is not much work for anyone. So, with neither school nor household chores, Korea's children are free to work but, again, not by choice.

KIM DUK EE is only eight years old, yet she works as a coolie, trudging all day long with a burden on her back so heavy that her father must lift it into place. Like most of Korea's millions, Kim works because her father cannot earn enough to feed her.

Kim's small brother, Lee, has a job, also. Armed with an old rag and a half-empty tin of shoe polish, he haunts the rough city streets. For a few yen Lee will scrub your dusty shoes vigorously.

Young children work in the silk mills, or in weaving factories where they lace strands of fibre into beautiful mats, baskets, slippers, purses and other articles.

Youngsters also tend roadside stands, selling merchandise ranging from tobacco to hot roasted chestnuts. They weed gardens and plant rice, flail wheat and husk grain.

An unpaid chore few children escape is tending babies by carrying them Korean style—"upcha"—or "piggy-back." Koreans seldom put their small ones down. They are carried constantly, generally by older brothers and sisters.

This doesn't keep the baby-tenders from playing. It doesn't even slow them up. They play tag, hopscotch, ball, in fact, anything, while the babies ride upcha.

One of Korea's biggest problems today is the vast army of beggar children. Large cities are overrun by these ragged youngsters. Homeless, separated from families by war, death or accident, they roam the streets, clutching at people with scrawny, sore-covered hands, to beg. The older ones are Korea's "Dead End Kids," robbing, picking pockets, plundering.

The American Military Government is doing its best to help Korea's children. Welfare groups collect the homeless, give them baths, clothes, food and beds. Four-H clubs, Scouts, and Junior Red Cross organizations are gaining members and popularity rapidly. But not until the Korean people themselves become interested, can any real progress be made.

Compared with the average Korean child, you are as rich as Midas. Yet Korea's children are the "smilingest" on earth. And the poorest coolie, straining under an impossible load, invariably sings as he stumbles on his weary way.

## Safety Hint



DON'T TOUCH ELECTRICAL CORDS OR PLUGS—DON'T TOUCH WIRE IF YOU DON'T HAVE TO.

## NEW GAME FOR PARTY LAUGHS

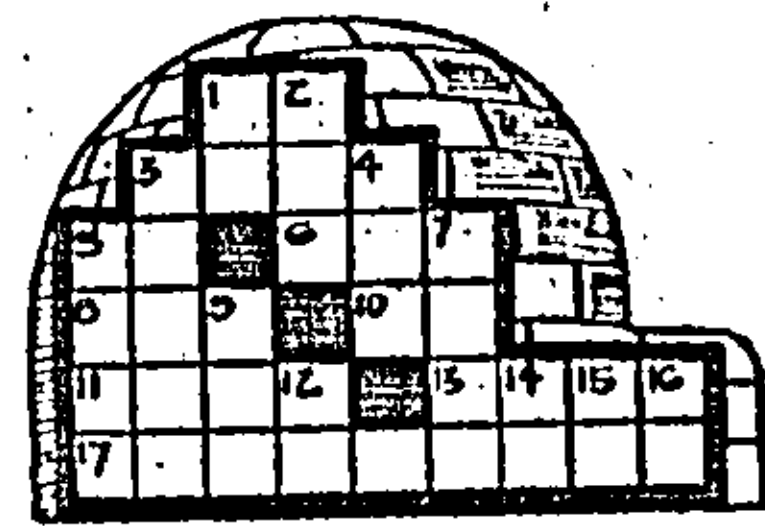
By ANNETTE LINGELBACH

The film, "Mogie Town," suggests a new kind of game. In the story, Jane Wyman and James Stewart visit the school where Jane had studied. They sit at desks



## PUZZLES

### CROSSWORD



### ACROSS

- Parent
- This puzzle is on the silhouette of an Eskimo
- Sun god
- Exist
- Hawaiian pepper
- Paid notice
- Opening
- Sea eagle
- Doorways

### DOWN

- Italian river
- Wine vessel
- Refuge
- Age
- Rant
- Paradise
- Social insect
- Transpos (abbrev.)
- Red Cross (abbrev.)
- Compass point
- Electrical term

### QUICKWINK RIDDLER

What may you expect from a worker who is toiling, flat on his back? You may reason correctly that he is doing his best. Do the puzzle and find the missing word.

1	2	3	4	5
D	D	D	D	D

Read down: 1—Stupid. 2—An act. 3—To plunge. 4—An animal. 5—Little girl's toy.

Now read across the third row of letters for the missing word.

### ESKIMO REBUS

Use the words and pictures to decipher four facts pertaining to Eskimos:



### RIDDLES

- What's the difference between 16 ounces of insect powder and a boy using a typewriter?
- What coin doubles its value if you can take half away?
- Can you name three things that turn without moving?
- Why should a rattlesnake never be put to work?
- Why did the little boy put his alarm clock under his bed?

### MIX-UPS

By rearranging the letters in the following strange lines, you will learn three facts about Eskimos: NOR BANGOR HAM ANI ICES RITE

### WORD DIAMOND

The diamond is centred on ESKIMOS. The second word is a "kind of tree," the third "request," the fifth is plural for "gallows," and the sixth is "dower property."

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## Storms at Sea Are Terrifying Experiences For Passengers, Even in Modern Ships

By JULIA W. WOLFE

STORMS still endanger lives on the sea. Man is better equipped nowadays to encounter storms at sea, but the old elements are still a cunning foe.

This certainly made for the brawny ideal of a wave-drenched, storm-lashed mariner. But modern warfare demonstrated that a big ship can be manoeuvred just as efficiently if the men in charge have a roof over their heads and windows in front of them. Today nearly all ships have the luxury of a covered bridge.

We asked an old sea captain to tell his "worst" experience at sea. "What do you mean WORST?" he roared. "They're all the worst, when they're going on."

How you feel a storm, he explained, depends on the kind of ship you are sailing and how the big, blow strikes. In—short or—rock-ribbed water the hazards are greater. Out in the open sea, foundering in a gale is a rare occurrence for ships these days. There is damage, however, such as crushed lifeboats, broken furniture, windows, dishes and so forth. But these can be replaced. The passengers are usually sick, but they, too, soon forget, and the fact that they weathered a storm at sea becomes one of their most thrilling memories.



THE FOOTING ON DECK DURING A STORM IS VERY SLIPPERY.

In rough weather, the footing on the deck becomes so precarious that lines must be stretched between various parts of the vessel. Short ropes, like bus straps, are attached so that they slide along these lifelines, providing something for a man to hold onto.

On huge liners, such as the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth, captains hold close to their courses while avoiding the worst of the blow. The sea captain is a man who adheres strictly to his time table, and those of the Atlantic and West Indies lanes pass through some of the worst weather areas of the Northern Hemisphere.

Bad weather is not confined to any season. In the winter the Atlantic steamers pass day after day in "northerly" and huge waves lash the ships.

The old captain says waves in big storms average 25 feet high. This means that from trough to crest, the wave rises 12½ feet above the mean level of the water and falls an equal distance. Waves in hurricanes sometimes have measured 80 feet. They look like mountains about to smother a ship. Waves 60 feet high are not unusual in severe storms. These are measured easily because they break over the bridge. The bridge usually is about 60 feet above the waterline in big ships. But a 20-foot wave can be dashed over the bridge if it strikes at the right place at the right moment, and perhaps some of these 60-foot waves were exaggerations.

### Engineers' Job

The men who make the ship go—the engineers—have a job that requires vigilance during a storm. They must be ready to ease the propellers and prevent "racing" when the plunge of the ship lifts them out of the water. Sudden strains can put the engines out of commission.

The most dreaded storms, says our friend the sea captain, are those which tear up the warm current of the Gulf Stream from the West. In typhoons of the Pacific.

During these storms the wind velocity reaches 70 miles an hour. The wind moans. The sky is covered through dense clouds. Birds drop on the ship deck from exhaustion in fighting the gale. The hurricane howls and the ship rises and falls.

When the storm ends, passengers are profoundly thankful that the shipbuilder knew his business and the crew kept the vessel afloat. It's a great experience, says the sea captain, "but once is enough for most of us."

## Chirpie Was Planning a Trip

—But the Shadows Told Him Not to Go—

By MAX TRELL

"WELL," said Chirpie Sparrow to Knarf and Hanid, the shadow-children, with the turned-about names, "I've come to say good-bye. I'm going away on a long trip."

Chirpie was standing on the window-sill. Knarf and Hanid looked at him in astonishment. "Going away on a long trip? Where are you going?" they both asked.

"I've just met an old friend of mine—a sailor. He's invited me to go with him across the ocean. It ought to be very interesting. I've never been across the ocean."

Knarf wanted to know the name of Chirpie's sailor friend.

"His name is C. Gull... Charlie Gull."

"Sea Gull! I've heard of him!" Hanid exclaimed.

### Doesn't Like Land

"He's been a sailor for years and years," Chirpie went on. "He lives down near the ocean. He doesn't like being on the land at all. He doesn't like trees. He doesn't care for flowers. All he likes is water and waves. Maybe I'll like water and waves, too."

"The ocean is very big," said Knarf.

"Yes, that's what Charlie Gull said. I asked him if it was bigger than our pond at the foot of the hill, and he said it was bigger than all the ponds put together. That's pretty big all right."

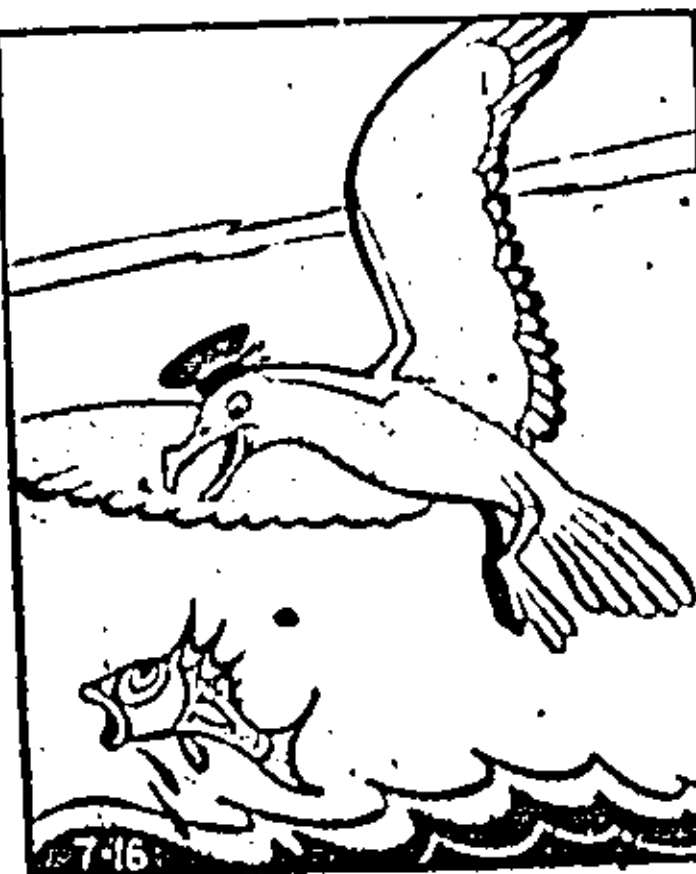
"You'd better not go," said Hanid. "Where will you rest when you get tired?"

"Why," said Chirpie, "I never thought of that."

"And where will you sleep?" said Knarf.

"I don't know."

"And what will you eat while you're flying across the ocean?" said Hanid.



When he was hungry, a gull could dive for fish.

Poor Chirpie! He wanted so much to fly across the ocean and see what was on the other side. But he knew now he couldn't. For it wasn't easy, once you were used to the land, to go flying... flying... flying across something that was bigger than all the ponds put together.

### Like A Duck

It might be easy for C. Gull (though Knarf and Hanid told Chirpie that it wasn't even easy for him). But Charlie Gull was used to it. He could sit on the waves like a duck. He could dive for fish when he was hungry. He could sleep on the water if he had to.

But late at night, when the wind blew, and the storm broke, and the waves rose up like mountains, Charlie Gull himself had a hard time flying.

So Chirpie Sparrow had to tell his old friend that he couldn't go sailing across the ocean with him. He'd just fly across the pond and back again. That would be enough sailing for him.

## YOUNG IDEAS

By JOYCE HUNTER

PERHAPS you only think you remember what you see. Get a group of your pals together and test the "visual aptitude" of the crowd. Ask your guests to look around the room for two minutes. Time the looking carefully and what's more important, don't tell them why you're doing it. When time's up, take the crowd into another room to take down on paper the objects they noticed in the first room. When all have finished, exchange list with neighbours, and have one guest read off the list he happens to hold. Other guests will check their lists, marking the objects as they are read aloud. Then have other lists read until the most complete list is found. Give the winner a look in a mirror and have him tell the others just what he sees.

Show your fondness for your pet cat by giving his coat a good brushing occasionally. A well-mannered cat who is a good purr-former rates this special attention.

Want to strengthen those flabby middle muscles that keep you from walking like Hedy Lamarr? Just take a stroll on all fours, right and morning, to the tune of your radio. Walk as flat of feet as possible, and on the palms of your hands. You will do well to warn your family in advance of this rather peculiar-looking Jungle Jog, so that they won't mistake you for a guerilla.

Did you know that a human hair can be split lengthwise? Artist Adelbert Boyer of Reading, Pennsylvania, who has won fame for miniature paintings, uses split hairs as paint brushes. His creations are so small they can be best enjoyed through a magnifying glass.

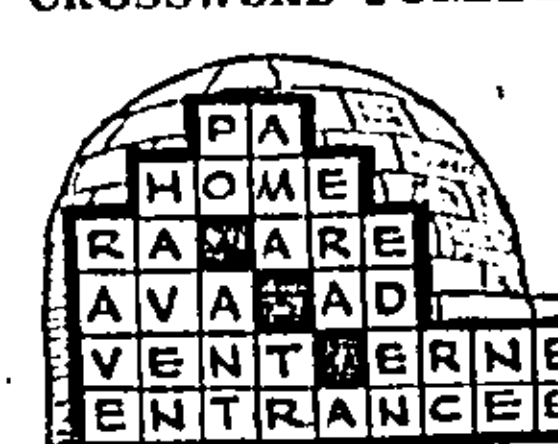
It pays to keep written themes, term papers and other reports handy. Swedish scientist, Svante Arrhenius, received a low but passing grade on a thesis he submitted for an advanced degree. Nineteen years later that same thesis won the Nobel Prize.

You can make a napkin ring suitable for dining room table out of an old spoon. Just bend back the handle until it almost touches the bowl.

Most of their waking time, people talk; part of the time they converse. Talk is usually about ourselves and our own personal interests. Conversation on the other hand, means an exchange of ideas and soft-peddalling yourself. At a party, if someone is a stranger or is shy, draw him out with interested comments and questions. That's how to start a conversation.

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

### CROSSWORD PUZZLE



### QUICKWINK ANSWER

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### ESKIMO REBUS

Greenland; Igloo; Reindeer; Huskies.

### RIDDLE ANSWERS

1—One weighs a pound and the other pounds away. 2—A hat. 3—Grass turns green; milk turns sour; hair turns gray. 4—He might strike. 5—So he could sleep overtime.

### MIX-UPS

North American aborigines; Short-statured people; Hunters and fishermen.

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## RED RYDER

Bad News for Bad Men

BY FRED HARMAN











## ENGLISH GIRL RELEASED BY RUSSIANS

Berlin, Oct. 1.—Joyce Kleisch, the 19-year-old English wife of a German former prisoner of war, who escaped to Berlin after the secret police in the Soviet Zone had arrested her, was tonight preparing to return home to England.

Sitting in a hotel with her husband, 22-year-old Waldemar Kleisch, her 18-month-old son and four-month-old daughter, she told Reuters: "Four weeks ago, we went to a dance in the town hall, and when four Russians heard us talking in English, they dragged us off to the police station."

"They let us go after I had told them that I was not a spy, but the next day, when my husband was at work, the same four Russians came and took me to the local commandant's office. They again accused me of being a spy."

"When I denied their charge, they knocked me about, and, during a period of seven hours, asked me such questions as: 'What is the Army doing in England? Are the factories there making munitions? Where are the big army camps? Have any new airfields been built?'"

"The Russians eventually released me, but after I had got home I found that a Russian guard had been placed in my mother-in-law's house. My husband and I decided to make a run for it and we got away through the back door. We succeeded in reaching Berlin with nothing more than a loaf of bread."

## Bird Chased Through Bicycle Wheel

Infirmary, County Mayo (via Dublin) Oct. 1.—A farmer cycling gear here was startled to see a bird fly frantically right through the spokes of the front wheel of his bicycle. A moment later the bicycle turned a somersault and tossed him into the air. It wasn't a leprechaun. It was a cat which had been chasing the bird.—United Press.

## TITLE FIGHT

# FREDDIE MILLS CHALLENGES BRUCE WOODCOCK

London, Oct. 1.—Bruce Woodcock, recent victor over Lee Oma, was challenged last night by Ted Broadbribb to meet Freddie Mills in a title fight. Broadbribb, manager of Freddie Mills, world light heavyweight champion, today scooped at a reported offer of US\$25,000 for Mills to defend his title against Harold Johnston at Philadelphia next January.

Saying that he had seen no cable yet, Broadbribb asked "What do they take us for? Gus Lesnevich, from whom Mills won the title, was offered \$150,000."

He said that Mills would have a holiday after his coming to South Africa to fight with Johnny Ralph and then "maybe the ground will be ready for a championship fight with Bruce Woodcock."—Reuters.

## Player Charged With Gambling

St. Louis, Oct. 1.—Former Cardinal pitcher Dizzy Dean confessed today that he has been summoned to appear before Baseball Commissioner A. B. Chandler to discuss his reported gambling. Dean denied that he personally had ever wagered on the outcome of ball games. Gambling by players is outlawed.

## Verdict In Boxer's Death Inquiry

Chicago, Oct. 1.—A coroner's jury today returned a verdict of accidental death in the case of Kiv Dynamita, 22-year-old Dominican boxer who died after a prize fight here Wednesday night.

The jury, which recommended increased enforcement of boxing rules after Dynamita's manager, Tony Roia, testified he warned the fighter that the Wednesday night fight with Bobby McKellar was to be his last.

Dr. Jerry Kearns of the Cook County coroner's office testified that there was no evidence of a previous brain injury.—United Press.

# U.S. ATTITUDE TO FRANCO SPAIN CAUSES PROBLEM

London, Oct. 1.—The British Labour Government today finds itself in a dilemma because of the United States moves to make friends with the Franco regime in Spain.

Asked what Britain's views are on the question of bringing Spain into the Western Union defence bloc, a Whitehall spokesman declared: "The policy of the Government has been repeatedly defined, and only last week it was again reaffirmed in the House of Commons that our attitude has not changed. We do not like the Franco regime and do not wish to recognise it, and there consequently can be no prospect of our getting closer to Franco Spain in order to bring the peninsula into our defence system."

The question diplomatic quarters in London are now asking is—will dropping of closer relations with Madrid begin to bring pressure to bear on London to patch up the quarrel which led to the withdrawal of the Powers' ambassadors from the Spanish capital?

British military experts, among them the new Supreme Commander-in-Chief of the West European Defence bloc, Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, are reported to be all in favour of adding Spain as the sixth power to the five already included in the group—that is, Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg.

**UNASSAILABLE BASTION**  
Military strategists recognise that Spain would form an almost unassailable bastion in Europe in the event of war. It would also prove an ideal base for landing and storage of war stock.

It could provide air bases for fighters, and it is believed that the United States some time ago made known its desires in this respect. The problem for the Atlantic Cabinet is a face-saving one. Undoubtedly Mr. Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Minister, would be prepared in the interests of Western defence to come to an agreement with Franco. Spain despite the distasteful nature of such a switch in Labour foreign policy.

But how to reconcile such a step with the repeated insistence by the Socialists that there can be no rapprochement with Madrid so long as the totalitarian regime, with its record of close association with the Nazis and Fascists in the Axis, lasts?

**WOULD MEAN SPLIT**  
Political observers believe that any gesture to Franco such as inclusion in the West defence bloc, admission to the UN and inclusion in the Marshall Plan, would split the Atlantic Government, and it would furthermore have a shattering

effect on the results of the next General Elections, with moderate-minded people swinging away from the Labour in the belief that their pledges mean nothing.

It is difficult to see any way out for the Labour Government. "It may be," one qualified observer declared, "that the situation may become so tense that we shall be obliged to seek friendship with Spain, which could hardly remain neutral. That would be the only way that the Atlantic Government could enter into a military pact with General Franco, by stampeding public opinion, and that would be an operation of no mean size."—United Press.

## PROHIBITED MARRIAGES

### Californian Law Thrown Out

San Francisco, Oct. 1.—A Californian law prohibiting the marriage of white persons to those of negro, Mongolian, or Malayan blood was thrown out today by the State Supreme Court.

The court declared that since the right to marry is the right to join in marriage with the person of one's choice, a law prohibiting a person from marrying a member of another race restricts his choice, thereby restricting his right to marry.

The court held the law violated the equal protection of the Laws Clause of the United States Constitution. The court directed that the Los Angeles county clerk should issue a marriage licence as requested by Andrea D. Perez, a white woman, and Sylvester S. Davis, a negro.

Today's ruling declared: "Marriage is something more than a civil contract subject to regulation by the State. It is a fundamental right of free men."

The court split 5 to 2 on the issue. The minority pointed out that 29 States in addition to California had laws barring the marriage of whites to negroes.

Whenever challenged, the minority said these laws have been upheld as valid exercises of legislative power by both State and Federal courts.—Reuters.

## Coming Events In The Sports World

**TODAY**  
Cricket—Colony Interport XI v. The Rest, Recreation Ground, 2 p.m.; CCC v. RAF, Happy Valley.  
Lawn Bowls—First Division League: IRC v. HKFC at Sookumpoo (4 p.m.); Friendly: KBCC v. HKCC at Austin Road.

Football—First Division League: KMB v. Army at Boundary Street; Kitchie v. South China "A" at Caroline Hill; Club v. St. Joseph's at Happy Valley; Navy v. Police at Causeway Bay (Kick-off at 5 p.m.).  
Second Division: Police v. Kitchie at Boundary Street; PCA v. South China at Caroline Hill; HAA at Happy Valley; War Dept. Chinese v. Tramways at Army ground; Army (Kowloon) v. University at Chatham Road; Army (HK) v. St. Joseph's at Sookumpoo; Dockyard v. KMB at Causeway Bay (Kick-off at 3.30 p.m.).

Swimming—Colony Championship Finals at Victoria Recreation Club: Men's 50 Yards Free Style, 100 Yards Breast Stroke & 300 Yards Medley Relay; Women's 50 & 440 Yards Free Style & 100 Yards Back Stroke. (First race at 9.30 p.m.).

**TOMORROW**  
Football—First Division League: Eastern v. RAF at Caroline Hill; Kwong Wah v. CAA at Caroline Hill; (Kick-off at 5 p.m.).  
Second Division: Solicitors v. Talbot at St. Joseph's (Kick-off at 3.30 p.m.).

Hockey—Association Fixtures: Club de Recoelo v. HK Police, King's Park, 9.30 a.m.; RAF v. Civil Service, King's Park, 10 a.m.; Cable & Wireless v. Dutch HC, King's Park, 10 a.m.; Kilaia SC v. University, Sookumpoo, 9.30 a.m.; Army v. Dockyard RC, Sookumpoo, 5.30 p.m.).  
Lawn Bowls—Open Rinks Semi-finals, Kowloon Cricket Club, 4 p.m.

**MONDAY**  
Meetings—Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association, Room 211, Prince's Building, 9.15 p.m.

## LONDON FIRE DRILL



London firemen pour water against a tower in a demonstration of a method evolved during the war to fight incendiary bombs. By this means, the available water supply is divided among as many hoses as possible.

# Communists Losing In Occupied Japan

Tokyo, Oct. 1.—Soviet Russia is intensifying her campaign to discredit the Allied occupation of Japan under Gen. Douglas MacArthur because of a realisation that the Supreme Commander's action in forbidding strikes by Japanese Government labour unions has "broken the back of a Communist plot to gain control of the Japanese nation," high American authorities said today.

## Belligerent Speech By Sardar Patel

New Delhi, October 1.—The Home Minister, Sardar Patel, today warned the Security Council to cease "interfering" with India as he said it did in the Kashmir and Hyderabad cases, adding that the new Dominion is "strong enough to defend herself against anyone in the world."

Patel delivered his most belligerent speech since the teeming subcontinent attained its new status.

The 70-year-old "strong man" declared that the Security Council is acting like an "insecurity council" because "people who are not able to solve their own differences are interfering in other people's affairs."

Speaking a bare week before the vital London Commonwealth Premier's conference at which India's future relation with Britain is expected to be laid down, Patel said that Britain would cease criticising the Indian Government "or it will become difficult for India to maintain friendly relations with Britain."

Patel's speech reflected bitterness felt by the press and politicians here over the British press commentaries of India's invasion of Hyderabad. Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin's statement thereon, Patel said that India believed in non-violence first but violence if necessary.

He quoted the saint of non-violence, Mohandas K. Gandhi, as experiencing "feelings of joy and comfort" when he heard Royal Indian Air Force planes flying over Birla House towards Kashmir.—United Press.

## Cold Rubber Production To Be Increased

Washington, Oct. 2.—The U.S. Reconstruction Finance Corporation said yesterday it has approved plans for an increase of more than 800 percent in the production of the "cold rubber."

RFC said this rubber, manufactured at near freezing temperature, gives about 30 percent longer mileage in tyre treads. The plans, call for installing refrigeration equipment in eight government-owned synthetic rubber plants. Total cost will run around US\$5,500,000, officials estimated.

RFC chairman Harley Rice said the programme is expected to be completed within a year. He said it will raise the plant's production of this "superior rubber" from 21,000 to 163,000 long tons yearly. The eight government plants are managed by private rubber concerns under a fee arrangement.

RFC furnishes the materials and gets the finished product which it sells to industry or makes available for the government's strategic stockpile.

Cold rubber already is being made by four plants at Los Angeles, Baton Rouge, Louisiana; Nagasaki (Conrad), and Berger (Texas).—Associated Press.

## The Russians realise that they are rapidly losing the game in Japan," an informant said, "and their recent manoeuvres, including the recommendation of the Soviet member of the Far East Commission in Washington for 'appropriate control' over Japanese industry, are indication of final desperate but ineffectual efforts."

The Soviet programme to make Japan eventually into a Soviet state, and a satellite of the USSR, has been clear from the beginning, the informant said. The programme was to build up the Japanese Communist Party and use this party as a "fifth column" to seize power, as was done in the case of European nations such as Czechoslovakia.

Following a technique which is in common all over the world, the informant said, the Japanese Communists, acting in accord with general instructions from their Soviet mentors, began infiltration of all possible key Japanese organisations—especially the labour unions, press, radio and motion pictures and schools.

### THE OBJECT

The object was to use these key organisations for political and propaganda purposes with a view to gaining power as quickly as possible "or a Communist or Communist-dominated cabinet."

The informant traced various moves which have been made since the start of the occupation—so-called "production control" theory which enabled the Communists temporarily to seize various industries and some newspapers, in an effort to organise the general strike of February, 1947, and finally the effort to carry out strikes in key huge government unions such as the railway workers.

Gen MacArthur understood the motive behind each of these moves as it was made, the informant said. His programme was to encourage the Japanese people and their government to defeat these moves on their own initiative. In times when the Japanese government obviously was unable to resist Communist pressure, such as the threatened February general strike, the Supreme Commander did not hesitate to intervene personally. That was what happened in the General's letter to the Ashida Cabinet recommending that Japanese workers should not be permitted to strike.

### FAVOURABLE REACTION

The reaction of the American people to General MacArthur's methods in controlling this situation have been obviously favourable, an informant said. Editorial and other comments have vigorously supported the General's policy.

The informant concluded: "The violence of the Moscow outburst against General MacArthur's policy comes from the realisation that the USSR has virtually lost the game in Japan."—United Press.

## Remarkable Run On Standard Petrol

Zandvoort, Netherlands, Oct. 1.—The Dutch press reported a remarkable achievement in motor car racing on the brand new Zandvoort circuit where Prince Biru of Siam recently won honours in an all-British event.

The Dutchman, A. H. Heels, made a round of 2 minutes, 10.5 seconds (average 115.7 kilometre res an hour) in an Alfa Romeo (2.3 litres) in road trim using standard petrol. The fastest round made by Prince Biru in a Maserati (race trim, special racing petrol) was 2 minutes, 0.4 seconds.—Associated Press.

## Closed Door Talks On British Loan

Washington, Oct. 2.—American delegates to the International Monetary Fund conference have been sounding out the British on their obligations under the \$3,750,000,000 British loan.

Closed conferences have been taking place between sessions of the Governing Boards of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, diplomatic officials disclosed on Friday.

The Governors closed their third annual meeting on Friday. They were expected to choose Paris as the site of the 1949 meetings and to elect Mr. Piero Mendez-Franco of France as chairman of the two boards.

The hub of the British-American talks is the requirement that the British loan agreement that England make the pound sterling freely convertible into dollars in foreign exchange. This requirement was waived temporarily last year with American consent.

### WANTS A PLEDGE

There is no belief that England will be able to restore "convertibility" in the near future. But the United States would like to get a pledge from England that she will work towards the goal of convertibility as rapidly as possible.

Britain attempted to make good on the requirement in July last year, but the effort quickly brought on the British "dollar crisis."

The rush of other nations to convert their unspendable pounds into dollars almost exhausted what was left of the loan and caused such a drain on Britain's dollar reserves that top British officials flew to Washington. The waiver agreement followed.

### FORMAL AMENDMENT

American officials have no hope in the present meetings of pinning down a date when convertibility can be resumed.

But they wish to keep in touch with Britain's economic progress. Moreover, since the suspension was taken by executive action only, the Americans would like to have the loan agreement formally amended.

This would require Congressional ratification and approval by the British Parliament. The result would be to give full legal sanction to the present postponement while committing England to full compliance as rapidly as her economic recovery permits.—Associated Press.

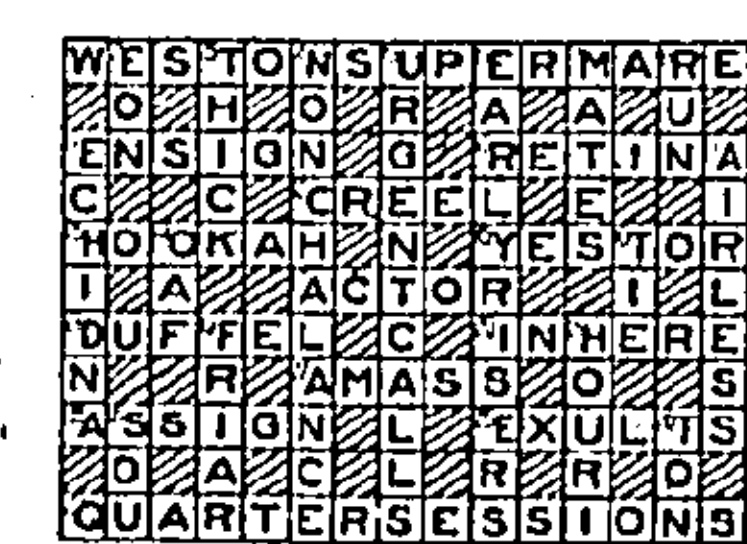
### QUIZ ANSWERS

1. Native wild dog of Australia. 2. Heavyweight. 3. In Verona, Italy. 4. The centre stone of a wall. 5. Animal or vegetable fat and alkali, usually lye. 6. To detect the presence of gas. 7. Hsuan Tung, who later became the Emperor of "Mandchukuo"; he is also known as Henry Pu Yi. 8. Switzerland. 10. Luzon.

### CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS

Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across: 1. Communism; 7. Occident; 10. Neoclassic; 12. Sale; 13. Sore; 14. Enow; 16. Earn; 17. Oratorio; 18. Via; 19. Reins; 21. Elder; 22. Aris; 23. Esoteric. Down: 1. Conserve; 2. Ocean; 3. Mice; 4. Udonometer; 5. Ness; 6. Stir; 8. Colorado; 9. Sceptical; 11. Moran; 15. Ware; 17. Oils; 20. Sic.

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